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A man with short grey hair and blue eyes, wearing a black judicial robe over a white shirt and a patterned tie, is seated in a large red upholstered chair. He is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. His hands are clasped in his lap. In the background, there are flags, including the Canadian flag and a blue flag with a crest.

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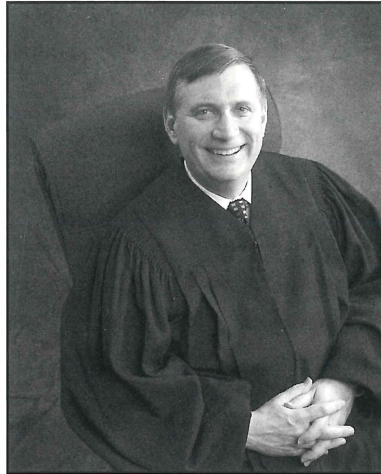
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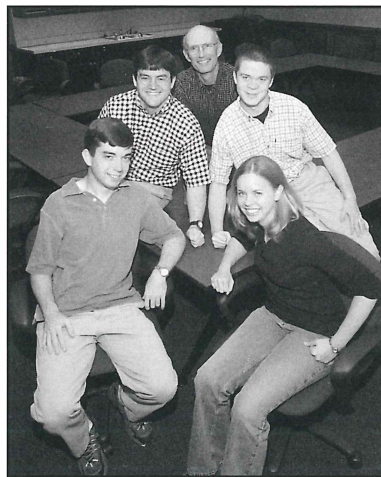


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The Hon. G. Steven Agee, '74, has made it to Virginia's High Court. The Roanoke, Va., native shares his career journey from the legislative to judicial branches of Virginia government.

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The End of an Era

Three of Bridgewater's beloved professors ended more than three decades of service to the College this spring: Dr. John G. Barr, professor of organ and piano; Prof. Daniel W. Bly, assistant professor of history and political science; and Coach John S. Spencer, assistant professor of health and exercise science and assistant football coach. *Bridgewater Magazine* salutes their contributions to the College.

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Bridgewater College's Ethics Bowl team towered over competition from across the state. Their success not only demonstrates a keen ability to think critically and persuade effectively, but also a sense of social responsibility, which the College aspires to instill in all students.

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2003 Graduate Receives Selective Scholarship



Chris Collins, a 2003 graduate, was recently awarded a Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Graduate Scholarship. The Staunton, Va., native was one of 43 scholars selected from among 842 applicants who hail from Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

Collins will receive up to \$50,000 per year for graduate studies at the University of Virginia, where he will enroll this fall in the doctoral program in philosophy. He plans to become a college professor.

"In receiving this prestigious and generous scholarship from the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, Chris Collins has brought distinction not only to himself, but also to Bridgewater College," says Bridgewater president Dr. Phillip C. Stone.

Through his pursuit of diverse scholarly interests — a double major in history and French, as well as minors in physics and philosophy and religion — Collins personifies Bridgewater College's emphasis on whole person education through the Personal Development Portfolio. He excelled in his academic work, but also was a leader on campus, involved in numerous extracurricular activities.

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, based in Lansdowne, Va., has become one of the nation's most prominent and generous scholarship providers.

This year's scholarship winners graduated from 28 different colleges and universities throughout the United States, including Yale, Harvard and Johns Hopkins universities, Dartmouth College, the University of Richmond and the College of William and Mary. ■

Editor's Note: A more extensive story about Chris Collins will appear in the Fall 2003 issue of Bridgewater Magazine. The scholarship award was announced near press time for this issue.

Spickler Receives NASA Fellowship

Dr. Philip Spickler, '85, assistant professor of physics, has been awarded a NASA Fellowship for this summer. The NASA Faculty Fellowship Program allows full-time engineering and science educators at U.S. colleges and universities the opportunity to participate in NASA's on-going research efforts. During a 10-week residency at the NASA Langley Research Center in Hampton, Va., Spickler will conduct various studies using data from the Halogen Occultation Experiment (HALOE), which is onboard the Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite. HALOE findings have been key to determining the dynamics of ozone and the behavior of pollutants in the Earth's atmosphere. ■

MacPhail to Direct Texas Theatre Production

Prof. Ralph MacPhail Jr., '65, professor of theatre and communication studies, returned to Texas this summer to direct a fourth production for The Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Austin. *The Pirates of Penzance* ran June 12-29 at Helm Fine Arts Center at St. Stephen's School, near the capital city. MacPhail went to Austin during the College's Spring Break in March to hold auditions with musical director Jeffrey Jones-Ragona, with whom he collaborated on three earlier productions in Austin: *The Mikado*, *Patience* and *H.M.S. Pinafore*. During that visit, he also spoke to the G&S Society on the history of *The Pirates of Penzance*. For more information, visit www.gilbertsullivan.org. ■

Statewide Recognition for Mapp

During her 37 years as a coach and professor at Bridgewater College, Laura S. Mapp became a legend among Eagles fans. In April, she became officially associated with some of Virginia's greatest sports figures when she was inducted into the 2003 class of the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame. ►



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At Bridgewater, Mapp was one of the most successful women's coaches in the commonwealth, having accumulated 876

wins as head coach in basketball, field hockey and tennis. She built the women's basketball program into one of the all-time winningest programs in Division III, compiling a 484-282 record, three VAAW state championships, two Old Dominion Athletic Conference regular season championships and one ODAC tournament championship. Mapp's teams had 30 winning seasons, four 20-win seasons and posted double-digit wins 31 times over the course of her career.

As field hockey coach, Mapp recorded 224 wins, including an AIAW Southern Region II

championship in 1979 and a VAAW Div. III state championship in 1980, and she led the Eagles netters to 161 wins. Additionally, she carried a full teaching load.

Mapp was inducted into the Bridgewater College Athletic Hall of Fame in 1998.

Among the other 2003 inductees into the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame were Lawrence Taylor, the all-pro linebacker from the New York Giants; former University of Virginia men's basketball coach Terry Holland; and former Major League Baseball player and manager Johnny Oates.

Established in 1972, the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame and Museum in Portsmouth is the commonwealth's official sports Hall of Fame, honoring champions from every region of Virginia. ■

Eckard Retires from BC Staff

Bonnie Eckard made a promise to herself nearly 15 years ago that she would retire at age 62.

Having witnessed her father's death just two months after his own retirement at age 65 — despite his family's urgings to retire three years prior — Eckard was saddened that her father never had much time to enjoy the leisure of retirement. She retired in May, just two months shy of her 62nd birthday, so that she can begin to make the most of her senior years.

Working at the College for 40 years, Eckard has seen some major changes in the College community, mostly

in the use of computers. "When I used a typewriter, I never left at the end of the day with a full day's work done,"

Eckard says, adding that her days now feel less stressful, since more professors type their own tests and letters on their personal computers. When she began working at the College, she was the secretary for eight academic departments: education, history, biology, physics, math, business and psychology. Since moving to the

McKinney Center for Science and Mathematics in 1996, she now works just for the departments of math and computer science, physics, chemistry and biology.

Her job is made much easier by the "wonderful faculty" she works for, and the students with whom she interacts

daily. She still keeps in touch with retired faculty and has even attended the weddings of alumni, noting that it is interesting to follow the journeys of former students. Dr. Michael Hill, a biology professor who has worked with Eckard for 31 years, says, "I have always admired her sense of humor, glad willingness to do whatever you ask of her — always with a smile — and her professional demeanor."

Eckard says she is looking forward to not having a set schedule during her retirement, "If someone calls and wants to meet for lunch, I can say, 'Yes!'" she says. She also wants to spend more quality time with her three grandchildren and two older sisters. Her husband, Bill, will likely retire next year, so she looks forward to taking weekend trips with him. Saying it is "time to move on and do something else," Eckard eagerly awaits the spontaneity of retirement. ■ kel



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Equine Studies Minor Established

Bridgewater College's existing Equestrian Program will expand beyond competitive sport and riding instruction. Beginning in the fall of 2003, the College will offer a minor in equine studies through the department of health and exercise science.

The new minor, approved by Bridgewater's faculty on April 29, is designed to complement several major fields of study, including health and exercise science, biology and business. Courses required to complete the minor include Biology of the Horse, Equine Health and Disease, and Equine Development and Behavior. An internship also will be required, and students will complete elective courses, such as Equine Farm and Stable Management and Theories of Riding.

In recent years, riding lessons and intercollegiate equestrian competition have become increasingly popular at Bridgewater. The riding team, just in its third season of existence, has already enjoyed success on the national scene — bringing home honors from the National Intercollegiate Horse Show — and has attracted a significant number of prospective students from all parts of the United States. The freshman class entering in the fall of 2003 will include riders from as far away as Massachusetts, Colorado and Iowa.

The equine studies minor will enhance the curriculum offerings for Bridgewater students who like horses, while potentially increasing the College's applicant pool. Additionally, because the horse industry contributes significantly to Virginia's economy, students who pursue the minor may have a competitive edge in the job market after graduation.

"Many people in the horse world will be involved with horses for their entire lives," says Mimi Knight, assistant professor of health and exercise science and faculty advisor for

Bridgewater's Equestrian Program. "The background of these students will be diverse."

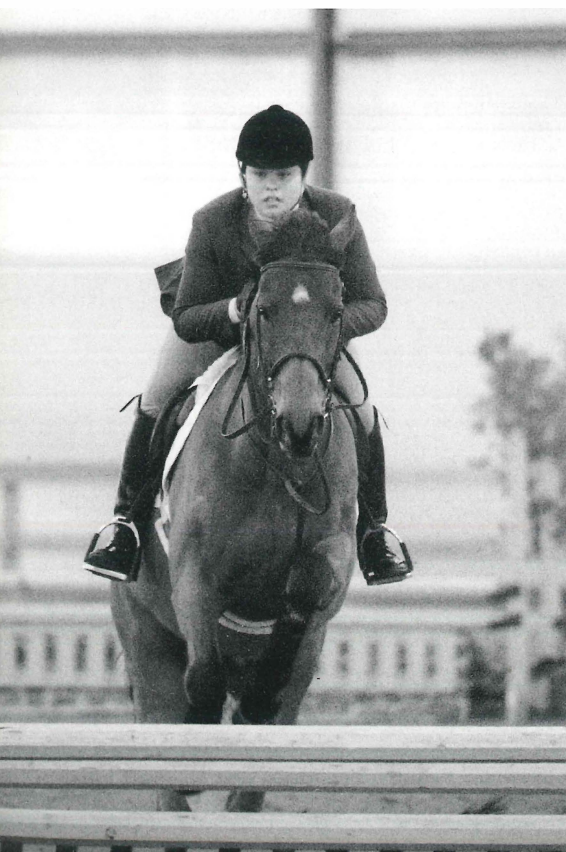
Nationally known riding coach Sarah Irvine will be the primary instructor for the equine courses. The current coach of BC's riding team, Irvine has taught and coached at Emory & Henry College, Stuart Hall, Foxfield Farm, Southern Seminary College and Oak Manor Farms, which is the College riding team's home stable, located in Weyers Cave, Va. Additionally, some courses will be taught by Bridgewater biology professor Dr. Michael Hensley and veterinarian Dr. Ann Gardner, who practices in Weyers Cave and has taught at Blue Ridge Community College. ■

Puffenbarger Receives Jeffress Grant

Biology professor Dr. Robyn A. Puffenbarger, a member of Bridgewater's faculty since August 2001, received a \$26,800 grant from the Thomas F. and Kate Miller Jeffress Memorial for her research project, "Cannabinoid Receptor Expression in Macrophages." Puffenbarger's research ties into interest within the medical community in developing pharmaceuticals from marijuana, while attempting to eliminate the "high" sensation normally caused by the drug.

Cannabinoids, the chemicals in marijuana that make people "high," suppress the immune system, which consists of macrophages — the cells that destroy invading bacteria. While it may seem counterproductive to develop drugs that decrease the activity of the immune system, Puffenbarger explains that the symptoms of some diseases, such as multiple sclerosis and lupus, are caused when the immune system destroys normal tissues. Understanding how these chemicals, the cannabinoids, slow down the immune system is critical in the development of new drugs.

The award is eligible for two one-year extensions at \$10,000 each. The Thomas F. and Kate Miller Jeffress Memorial Trust, located in Richmond, supports basic research in chemical, medical or other scientific fields by offering grants to educational or research institutions in the state of Virginia. ■



Cathie Stivers, '79, truly understands the meaning of the term "team spirit." She's been part of a team her entire life, first as a twin — her sister is Bridgewater classmate Janet Stivers-Blaebaum — and then later, an athlete.

Now, Stivers is taking team spirit to a higher level. The Bridgewater College basketball standout and former health professor is a student at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va. When she graduates next year, she will help guide people on their spiritual journeys.

"Entering seminary involves a huge leap of faith, not just into a new career but a new life," Stivers says. "It was a leap I was willing to make, and ever since, I have reaped benefits beyond my imagination."

Stivers grew up in the Shenandoah Valley. From the time she was a young teen, she knew she wanted to go to Bridgewater "to play basketball, and to get a good education at a small school." She attended summer basketball camps at the College, where she met now-retired women's basketball coach Laura Mapp. Stivers also played basketball at Broadway High School, where her coach was BC alumna Nancy Boller Moser, '70, a Mapp protégé.

At Bridgewater, Stivers played basketball, field hockey and tennis. She graduated in 1979 as the school's first health science major and a year later, earned a master's degree from Indiana State University. In 1983, she completed a Ph.D. in health education at Southern Illinois University.

Stivers spent the next several years as a college professor, teaching in Texas and New Mexico. Among her accomplishments was co-chairing the New Mexico Alcohol Issues Consortium. In 1991, she received BC's Young Alumnus Award.

"I always felt honored and blessed to be part of the BC community when I was a student," she says. "To be honored with this award was one of the highlights of my life."

Stivers returned to Virginia in 1994 to teach at Longwood and after three years, became manager of the cancer prevention and control project at the Virginia Department of Health.

"When I moved back to Virginia, things were going very well in my life," she recalls. "But I had a feeling that something was missing. I started reading everything I could get my hands on about spirituality and God."

Stivers talked to her pastor, who suggested she take a course at a local seminary to see if it "fit." It did, and after two years at the health department, Stivers left to become a full-time student again.

Stivers will graduate in May 2004 and wants to become a chaplain in a medical or college setting. "I have always felt a much stronger calling to a non-parish setting," Stivers says, "but I have not closed the door on the option of being a parish minister. It's not wise to tell God, 'No.'"

Following the Higher Call

by Laura S. Jeffrey



Courtesy - Indiana State University

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Stivers

Habitat Founder Visits BC

Millard Fuller, founder and president of Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI), was on campus in March for the 2003 Church of the Brethren Southeastern Regional Youth Roundtable. Nearly 350 high school students and their adult advisors attended the three-day conference.

Fuller, who gave up his million-dollar lifestyle to establish HFHI, shared how the organization strives to apply Christian principles throughout the world. He and his wife, Linda, established the Georgia-based housing organization in 1976. According to the HFHI Web site, volunteers working through the organization have built homes for

more than 125,000 families in over 3,000 U.S. cities and 87 foreign countries. Additionally, HFHI is one of the top 20 house builders in the United States.

The College's chapter of Habitat for Humanity was established in 1996. Since Bridgewater began participating in HFHI's "Alternative Spring Break" in 1995, almost 200 BC students have spent their weeklong breaks helping to build homes for families in need. ■



Tiffany Cauley, '04, and Jeff Rimmer, '05, spent their Spring Break in Louisiana, helping to build houses for Habitat for Humanity. They went with a group of 18 BC students.

Dr. Brown Receives Sappington Award

The Forum for Religious Studies at Bridgewater College presented the Roger E. Sappington Award to Dr. Dale W. Brown on March 28.

The award, named in honor of the late Dr. Sappington, who was a professor of history at Bridgewater College from 1958 until his death in March 1989, was given in recognition of Brown's outstanding achievements in the field of Anabaptist and Pietist studies.

An active voice for pacifism, Brown has been a leading scholar of Church of the Brethren history and the denomination's position on peace and justice. He served as a pastor for nearly 10 years before beginning his career as a religion and theology professor, primarily at Bethany Theological Seminary. He currently is involved with the Bethany Theological Seminary Satellite and the Young Center for the Study of Anabaptist and Pietist Groups at Elizabethtown College. Brown also served as moderator for the 1972 Church of the Brethren Annual Conference.

Brown has published numerous books and articles on peace issues. Since the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center, he has revised the 1986 edition of *Biblical Pacifism: A Peace Church Perspective*, which will be released this year.

A 1946 graduate of McPherson College, Brown received a theology degree from Bethany Theological Seminary and a doctorate from Northwestern University. ■

Jack Guynn, president and chief executive officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, visited the Bridgewater campus in March for an Economic Forum. After speaking to students in the "Money and Banking" class, Guynn presented a public lecture, "The U.S. Economy: Where Are We Now?"

Guynn, a Staunton, Va., native, shared optimistic predictions about the U.S. economy. "The economy appears to be gaining traction much more slowly than I had hoped for or expected," he said. "Nevertheless, I still believe that the economy is expanding modestly, and I still expect to see an up tick in the rate of growth later this year ..."





W. Wallace Hatcher

Catherine L. Elick

Stephen L. Longenecker

Megan Orndorff

Troy Akers

Founder's Day Honors

Bridgewater College celebrated Founder's Day on April 1, presenting several awards during a convocation in the Carter Center for Worship and Music, recognizing excellence in teaching, service and leadership.

W. Wallace Hatcher, '55, chairman of the College's board of trustees, was awarded the honorary degree, doctor of humane letters. Dr. Catherine L. Elick, professor and chair of the English department, received the Ben and Janice Wade Outstanding Teaching Award, and Dr. Stephen L. Longenecker, chair of the department of history and political science, received the Martha B. Thornton Faculty Recognition Award. Two seniors, Megan Orndorff and Troy Akers, received Student Leadership Awards.

Hatcher has been a leader in shaping the direction of his alma mater for three decades, since joining the board of trustees in 1973. He has served as chairman since 1985. A native of Bassett, Va., he is chief executive officer of Lantz Construction Company, which he founded in 1960. Under his leadership, the firm has become a prominent commercial builder in the Shenandoah Valley.

In 1988, Bridgewater College presented Hatcher with the Distinguished Alumnus Award, honoring his achievements in business, civic work and church service. He also has received several honors from community organizations, including the 1993 Contractor of the Year Award from the Valley Branch of the American Subcontractors Association and was named Harrisonburg-Rockingham County Chamber of Commerce's Businessperson of the Year in 1990.

Hatcher currently is chairman of the advisory board of BB&T Bank, Harrisonburg area, and a board member of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Community Foundation, SONshine Ministries and the Broadway Hometown Partnership.

A member of Bridgewater's faculty since 1988, **Dr. Catherine L. Elick** became chair of the English department in 1996. She has published and presented numerous scholarly articles, particularly in the area of children's literature.

From 1998 to 2000, Elick served as editor for Bridgewater College's self-study, which led to the College's reaccreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Active in curriculum development, she has served on the College's Council of Education and on departmental committees to redesign the major and create a second writing course.

After earning her bachelor's and master's degrees from James Madison University, Elick earned her doctorate from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn., in 1986. From 1983 to 1988, Dr. Elick was editor and business manager for *The Tennessee Conservationist*, a bimonthly magazine on Tennessee history, culture and nature published by the state's Department of Conservation.

The Wade award honors superior classroom teaching. Dr. Ben Wade taught religion and served as executive assistant to the president and provost at Bridgewater from 1979-85. Both he and his wife graduated from Bridgewater in 1957.

Dr. Stephen L. Longenecker, a member of the Bridgewater faculty since 1989, has published numerous books and articles on American religious history, with a particular interest in Anabaptist groups. His most recent book, *Shenandoah Religion: Outsiders*

and the Mainstream, 1716-1865, was published last fall. He also is co-chair and a charter member of the College's Forum for Religious Studies, a faculty group established to promote scholarly research on the Anabaptist and Pietist traditions upon which the Church of the Brethren was founded.

A graduate of Shippensburg University, Longenecker earned his master's degree and doctorate from The Johns Hopkins University. He also has taught at Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa., and at Towson State University in Maryland.

The Thornton award, established in 1990 by Dr. Martha B. Thornton, Bridgewater professor of religion *emerita*, recognizes faculty members who "provide caring concern for students well beyond the role as teacher."

Megan Orndorff, a communication studies major and psychology minor, graduated in May. Active in student government, she served as president of the student body during her senior year. The previous year, she served as student body vice president and was president of her class during her freshman and sophomore years.

A biology major, **Troy Akers** also graduated in May. He participated in the Student Senate throughout his four years at the College and was elected to serve as student body president during his junior year. He served as president of the class of 2003.

Both Orndorff and Akers were members of the Lambda Society, the college's scholastic honor society, and of Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society. They were both selected for the 2003 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. ■

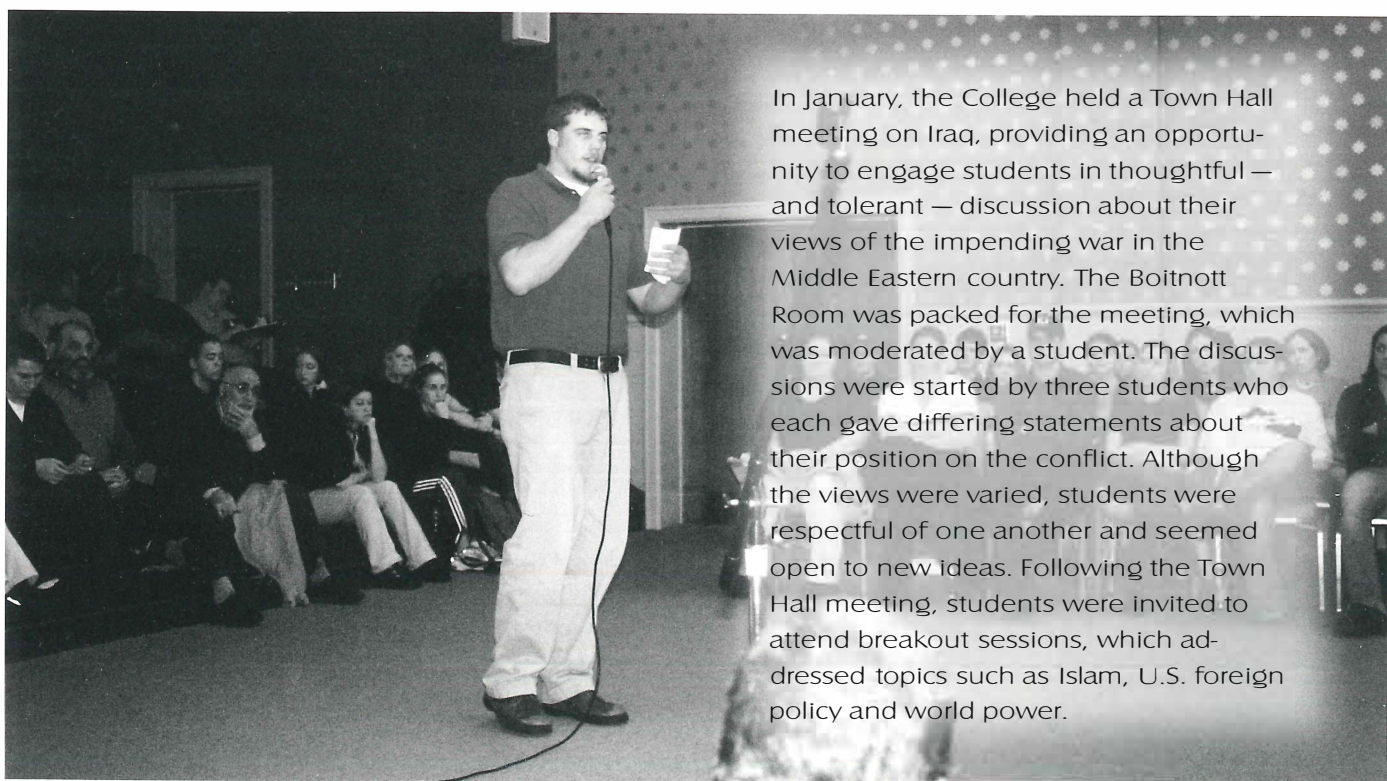
A Community for All

Dr. David Metzler, professor of philosophy and religion, *emeritus*, traveled to Iraq in January with a delegation of scholars attending a peace conference at the University of Baghdad. He participated in the program through Christian Peacemaker Teams, an initiative of the Brethren, Mennonite and Quaker churches that regularly sends non-militant peacekeepers to places of conflict.

The conference gave the American faculty members an opportunity to meet with Iraqi faculty, many of whom were educated in the United States, as a way to build friendly relationships and promote tolerance between people of both countries. During the conference — which took place in an auditorium featuring an imposing image of Saddam Hussein — and in small



Dr. David Metzler and an Iraqi colleague



In January, the College held a Town Hall meeting on Iraq, providing an opportunity to engage students in thoughtful — and tolerant — discussion about their views of the impending war in the Middle Eastern country. The Boitnott Room was packed for the meeting, which was moderated by a student. The discussions were started by three students who each gave differing statements about their position on the conflict. Although the views were varied, students were respectful of one another and seemed open to new ideas. Following the Town Hall meeting, students were invited to attend breakout sessions, which addressed topics such as Islam, U.S. foreign policy and world power.

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social gatherings, the participants discussed issues such as Iraqi history, the threat of war (which at that time had not yet occurred) and numerous social and economic issues facing the Middle Eastern country.

"After 9-11, we Americans were asking the question, 'Why do they hate us?'" Metzler replies when asked why he wanted to visit Iraq at a time when tensions were near the boiling point. "We [Americans] never did try to answer that question." Metzler and his travel companions were interested in gaining some insights into that issue.

During his two-week visit in Iraq, Metzler says he met "human beings, eager to be friends," and never felt in danger — even when taking long walks alone. He learned that many Iraqis find American people to be very friendly, but they don't understand the U.S. government's policies, particularly the desire to impose democracy, rather than allowing it to emerge.

As Metzler, who is actively involved in strengthening Christian-Muslim relations in the local community, describes the situation of the Iraqi people and the fears of his Muslim friends living in the United States, he becomes emotional and reflects on part of "Meditation 17" by 17th century British writer John Donne: *Any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind; and therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee.*

"That is to say, the death of anyone diminishes everyone," he says. "Maybe we could live life not in a way that sets us against each other, but live life in a way that we seek to create community."

That is Metzler's renewed commitment: To build bridges, understand other cultures, learn languages.

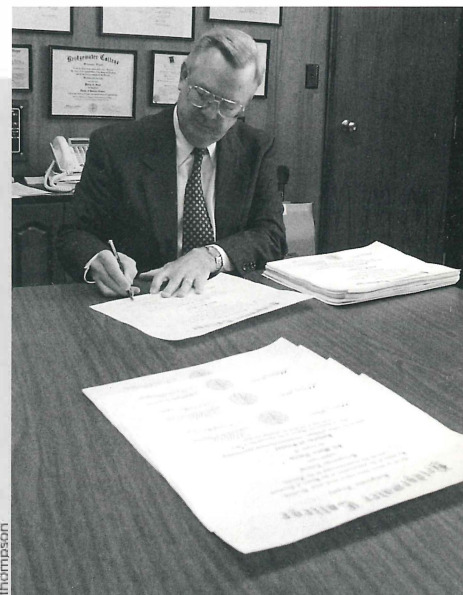
"I think the fundamental concern, which is on-going, is to work for a world in which the values of civility, humanity and community are nourished," Metzler says. "That is our task regardless of what is happening around us." ■



Commencement 2003

Members of the class of 2003 prepare for the Commencement ceremony, held on May 18 in Nininger Hall. Bachelor's degrees were awarded to 272 students. In his address, the Hon. G. Steven Agee, a justice of the Virginia Supreme Court, told the graduates that "Character counts."

"It is your character that will define you, and it will define how you relate to the people next to you and the world around you," he said. "The world now passes to your hands. Make the portion of it that you inhabit its own community of character by the force of your example."



President Phil Stone spends a sunny spring afternoon — rare for this season — signing diplomas in preparation for Commencement.

Attention to Detail

By Virginia Myers Kelly



Shane Ritchie, '93, is probably not the guy you want sitting beside you at the movies. He's the one who notices the sky turning from cloudy to sunny between shots, even though the scene is supposed to have taken place on the same day. He would see the tie tack on a supporting actor disappear in the next frame, or the shadow of a movie camera in the corner of the screen. He is a detail man.

As manager of U.S. Network Operations for Discovery Communications (the parent company of the Discovery Channel, TLC, Animal Planet, the Travel Channel and the Discovery Health Channel), Ritchie's job is to look for niggling mistakes on every show and be sure they're fixed before airtime. He is ultimately responsible, with a staff of monitors, for ensuring perfection.

What if the reaction of a homeowner to a surprise redecoration on *While You Were Out* boosts the audio to higher levels than normally accepted — but only in a couple of places? What should be done if *The Expedition Bismarck* is formatted to fit the screen, but all the images are stretched tall and thin as a result? People line up at Ritchie's desk asking questions like these all day. He also is responsible for making sure the right 30 to 40 tapes are loaded onto a truck each night for the trip from Discovery's Bethesda, Md., offices to Atlanta. From there, they are "up-linked" to satellite, and broadcast around the world. *Unsolved History. Code Blue. Home Matters.*

The business is up-to-the-minute and high-pressure, involving 10 to 12-hour days and emergency calls on the weekends, but Ritchie is ready for anything. His can-do attitude, he says, comes in part from his experience at Bridgewater, where he first learned to multi-task. With two majors — he originally wanted to become a children's art therapist, so his bachelor's degree is in psychology and art — plus a career in the college theater and a position in student government, he juggled a challenging schedule that foreshadowed his life today. Bridgewater also taught him to take chances. His professors Paul Kline, in art, and Ralph MacPhail, in theatre, he says, "Taught me you don't know what you can do unless you try." Thus it was that he tackled a one-man show about Vincent Van Gogh in Cole Hall, where he says he spent hours. The show earned him honors as Best Actor; another year he won Best Supporting Actor for a one-act play written by classmate Michelle Neff Wilkins.

Ritchie's determination also led him to a quick promotion from production assistant to news director at WHSV-TV3 in Harrisonburg, where he worked just after graduation. He directed for two years, then moved to a production company in Washington, D.C., and focused on the 1996 presidential campaign. He started at Discovery in 1998.

Now, the pace never slows. Ritchie is always on deadline, and always on call. He thrives on it. "I fell in love with television," he explains. "I couldn't see myself doing anything else." ■

Shane A. Ritchie

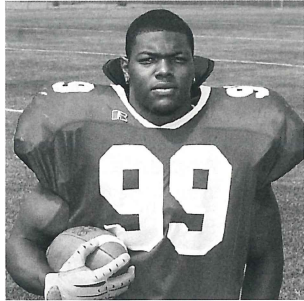
Tackling All Challenges

By Micah Morris, '04

As the opposing offense lines up against the powerful Eagles defense, the opponents probably dread seeing Bridgewater's Jermaine Taylor on the other side of the ball. The linebacker managed to deliver 92 tackles during the 2002 season, while helping lead his team to its second consecutive Old Dominion Athletic Conference title and third trip to the NCAA playoffs.

As a team captain, he has led the Eagles to glory on the football field. During the 2001 season, Taylor was a leader on the Eagles' defensive squad, paving the way to the Stagg Bowl, the NCAA Division III national championship game. In that game, the Eagles' defense was able to hold the high-powered offense of Mt. Union College to only 30 points.

A native of Jamaica, Taylor moved with his family to Miramar, Fla., in the early 1990s. The 210-pound middle linebacker, a junior information systems management major, has gained much recognition for his athletic accomplishments on the football field — not only in the ODAC, but also throughout the nation. When the American Football Coaches Association named Taylor a 2002 All-American, he was one of only three juniors selected to the 25-man team. Taylor also was named to the All-ODAC First Team, as well as the Virginia Sports Information Directors College Division All-State First Team. At the end of the last football season, he was named ODAC Player of the Year.



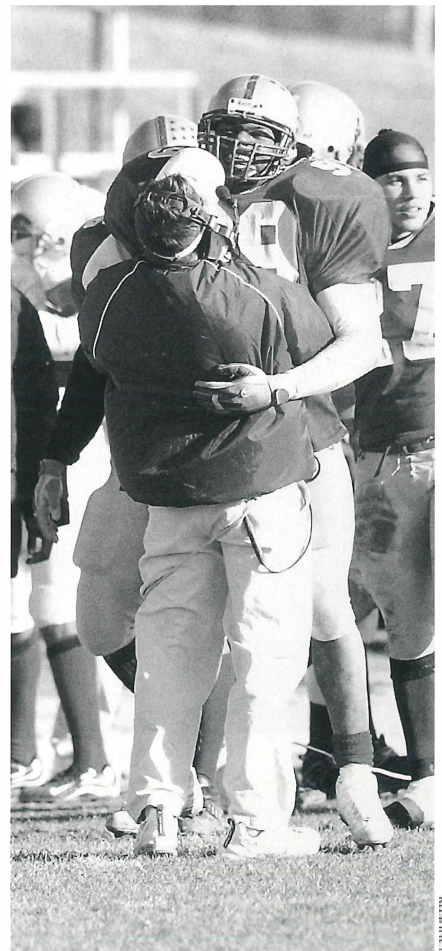
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"I have always felt that to play at the national level in Division III football, a team needs a handful of kids playing who really belong at the Division I level," says head football coach Michael Clark. "Jermaine is one of those kids for us."

When football is not in session, Taylor focuses on speed as a member of the Eagles track and field team. During the 2002 season — his first year competing in the sport — he dominated the ODAC 100-meter dash championship, completing the race in an astounding 10.88 seconds. He was named 2002 Most Valuable Player for the team. This year, he was named a captain of the team and once again wrapped up the 100-meter championship and finished second in the ODAC's 200-meter dash. He also earned All-American honors in the 100-meters at the NCAA Division III championships. In indoor track, Taylor also won first place in the 55-meter dash, completing in 6.48 seconds and missing nationals by one-hundredth of a second.

Taylor isn't just a standout on the playing field, however. In January, Taylor's exemplary character was recognized when he received the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Male Youth Leadership Medal from Harrisonburg's *Shenandoah "Hit" Magazine*. The medal is given annually to area residents who have demonstrated extraordinary leadership in academics or athletics, as well as good citizenship. "Jermaine is an All-American off the field, too," Clark says. "He is a player who has superior talent that is surpassed by his work ethic and desire." ■

Jermaine Taylor and running backs coach Mickey Hamilton share a celebratory bear hug following a key play in the Eagles' playoff game against Kings College.



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Sports Wrap

Cross Country

The Bridgewater men placed fourth and the women fifth at the ODAC Championship meet held at Roanoke College.

Robbie Olsen led the men with an 18th-place finish and Sara Erasmi placed 13th to pace the women's team.

At the Virginia College Division State Meet hosted by Bridgewater at the Rockingham County Fairgrounds, the men placed sixth out of nine teams and the women were seventh out of 10 teams.

Again, Olsen and Erasmi led the Eagles. Olsen finished 18th in the men's meet while Erasmi earned All-State honors with her 14th-place finish in the women's meet.

Tony Smallwood, '04



Men's Basketball

Youth was the operative word for Bill Leatherman's 2002-03 basketball team as the Eagles took the court with no seniors.

The young Eagles put together a solid season, finishing in a tie for fifth in the ODAC with a 14-12 overall record and an 8-10 conference mark.

Half of BC's losses came at the hands of nationally ranked opponents. The Eagles lost three times to Hampden-Sydney, a team that advanced to the NCAA Division III Final Four; twice to a Randolph-Macon team that spent much of the year ranked No. 1 in the nation in Division III and once to St. Vincent, a team ranked in the top five in NAIA Division II for most of the year.

The Eagles started the season by going 2-0 with wins over Philadelphia Biblical and Southern Virginia at the Eastern Mennonite University's Tip-Off Classic. Bridgewater followed those victories by winning the championship at the Gallaudet Invitational.

Sophomore guard Ricky Easterling led the Eagles in scoring with a 15.4 average. Easterling was named to the All-ODAC First Team and the VaSID College Division All-State Second Team.

Women's Basketball

The women's basketball team entered the season with high expectations, but struggled to an 11-16 overall record and a seventh-place finish in the ODAC.

The Eagles started the season at the Marymount Invitational, a tournament that featured some of the top teams on the East Coast. The Eagles managed a 1-2 mark at the tourney with a victory over the University of the South.

Bridgewater entered the ODAC tournament as the No. 7 seed and pulled off an upset in the quarterfinals by eliminating No. 2 Emory & Henry, 78-72. Marie Bolton and Krystal Hermes each finished with 17 points to lead four players in double figures. Sarah Oktavec added 15 and Megan Forster scored 13. The Eagles were eliminated in the semifinals by the Roanoke Maroons, 70-55.

Bolton led the Eagles in scoring during the season with an 11.8 average, just ahead of junior center Katie Brennan who averaged 11.6 points per game.

Bolton was named to the All-ODAC Second Team and Forster received All-ODAC Honorable Mention.

Indoor Track

The Bridgewater College men's track team put together a strong effort at the ODAC Indoor Championship meet, finishing in a tie for second place with Eastern Mennonite.

Steward White led the Eagles with two first-place efforts as the junior won both the long jump and triple jump. Jermaine Taylor dominated the sprints during the indoor season and took the title in the 55-meter dash. Myron Gordon notched the Eagles' other first-place effort by winning the shot put.

Finishing in second place in their respective events were Nick Nycum in the 55-meter hurdles, Doug Balmer in the 800 meters, and Wes Atkins in the shot put.

First-place winners were named to the All-ODAC First Team, and second-place finishers were honored as All-ODAC Second Team.

Taylor met the NCAA provisional qualifying standard in the 55-meters, but just missed being selected for the National Championship meet. Taylor ranked first in the South/Southeast Region with a time of 6.48 seconds in the 55-meters.

The Bridgewater women's team finished fifth out of the five teams competing at the ODAC meet. Julia Barb placed sixth in the triple jump and sixth in the 55-meter hurdles to lead the Eagles.

Baseball

The baseball team finished its season with a 23-19 overall record and finished third in the ODAC Tournament played at Winston-Salem, N.C. Senior outfielder Scott Hearn finished his outstanding career by setting several new career records. Hearn leaves the program as the all-time leader in hits, doubles, RBIs, extra-base hits and total bases. Junior pitcher Dustin Jones also had a solid season and ranked in the Top 10 in the nation in strikeouts per nine innings. Earlier this season, Jones was named the Division III National Pitcher of the Week. Jones finished the season with 101 strikeouts, a new BC single-season record. Hearn and Todd Lewis were each named to the All-ODAC Second Team.

Softball

The softball team finished its season with a 24-15 record. The Eagles finished tied for third in the regular season standings and finished fourth in the conference tournament. Senior Kameron Tucker was named to the All-ODAC First Team for the second straight year, and Charity Tyree received honorable mention. Tyree also was named to the Verizon Academic All-District III Second Team for the second straight year. Tucker leaves the BC program as the all-time leader in home runs, RBIs, hits, extra-base hits and total bases. She also tied the ODAC career home run record with 26. Tucker was named ODAC Player of the Week twice during the 2003 season. Senior pitcher Kristin Pardue

finished her career with 53 victories, a new BC career record.

Freshman Ashlee Adams was named to the All-ODAC Second Team. Sadly, she died in a car accident at the end of the school year (see "Memorials," page 37).

Lacrosse

The Eagles lacrosse team struggled to a 1-14 record and lost in the first round of the ODAC tournament. Senior Sarah Pritchett led the team in points with 37, and senior Nell Bodani led in goals scored with 27. Junior Amy Hodson was named to the All-ODAC Second Team, while teammates Pritchett and Bodani received honorable mention.

Men's Tennis

The men's tennis team finished 1-6 vs. ODAC competition and placed eighth in the conference tournament. Freshman Tyler Carnahan had the best showing at the ODAC tourney as he placed fourth in the No. 6 singles draw.

Women's Tennis

The women's tennis team finished a solid fifth at the ODAC tournament. Freshman Holly Egnor and sophomore Anne Yust reached the finals in No. 1 doubles, where they lost to the champions from Washington & Lee. Egnor also had the best singles finish as she placed third in the No. 1 singles bracket. The Eagles finished the season with a 9-7 overall record. Egnor and senior Sarah Kuhn were named to the ODAC All-Tournament team in singles while Egnor and her partner, Anne Yust, were named to the All-Tournament team in doubles play.

Men's Track and Field

The men's track and field team placed a strong second at the recent ODAC Championship meet, and head coach Shane Stevens was named the ODAC Men's Outdoor Track Coach of the Year. Four Eagles won events at the ODAC meet ►



Megan Forster, '03

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and earned First Team All-ODAC honors. Jermaine Taylor won the 100, Ricky Easterling took the high jump, Steward White won the triple jump, and Myron Gordon placed first in the shot put. James Johnson placed second in the shot and second in the discus to earn Second Team All-Conference honors in each event. Both Taylor and Easterling met the NCAA provisional qualifying in his respective event. Taylor earned All-American honors at the NCAA Division III Track and Field Championships with a sixth-place finish in the 100 meters.

Women's Track and Field

The women's team placed fifth at the ODAC Championship meet. Anna Manikus earned Second-Team All-ODAC honors with her second-place effort in the high jump.

Golf

The golf team put together one of its best seasons ever and finished tied for fourth at the

ODAC tournament. The Eagles also won the Shipbuilders Invitational this season and junior Chuck Whetzel claimed the individual title at the Ferrum tournament. Senior Tom Cerva set a new single-round scoring record in the fall as he shot a 70 on two different occasions, and Whetzel bettered that mark with a 69 this spring. Cerva was named First Team All-ODAC, and Whetzel was named to the Second Team. Head coach Leroy Williams was named the ODAC Coach of the Year. Whetzel was named ODAC Golfer of the Week twice, and Cerva earned the honor once.

Equestrian

Two Bridgewater College riders – Cary Chenoweth and Kelly Lucas – qualified for and participated in the IHSA National Show hosted by Middle Tennessee State University.

Chenoweth, making her third straight trip to the national show, rode against 29 of the top riders in the nation in the prestigious Cacchione Cup division. Chenoweth made the cut for the Top 10 and then finished seventh overall.

EAGLES

FOOTBALL 2003

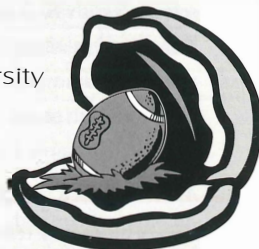
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25	EMORY & HENRY*	1 P.M.	
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8	RANDOLPH-MACON* 1 P.M.		FAMILY WEEKEND
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* ODAC game / Home games in **BOLD CAPS**

Another Bowl Game for the Eagles

The Eagles will close out the 2003 football regular season by playing against Catholic University in the Oyster Bowl in Hampton, Va., on Saturday, Nov. 15. The contest will be played at Darling Stadium with a 1:30 p.m. kickoff.

The game is sponsored by the Khedive Shriners and benefits the Shriners Hospitals for Children. Team headquarters will be the Radisson Hotel in Hampton. A block of rooms is available at a group rate of \$79 until Oct. 30. Block code is **Bridgewater College Parents**.



Jenkins Goes Pro

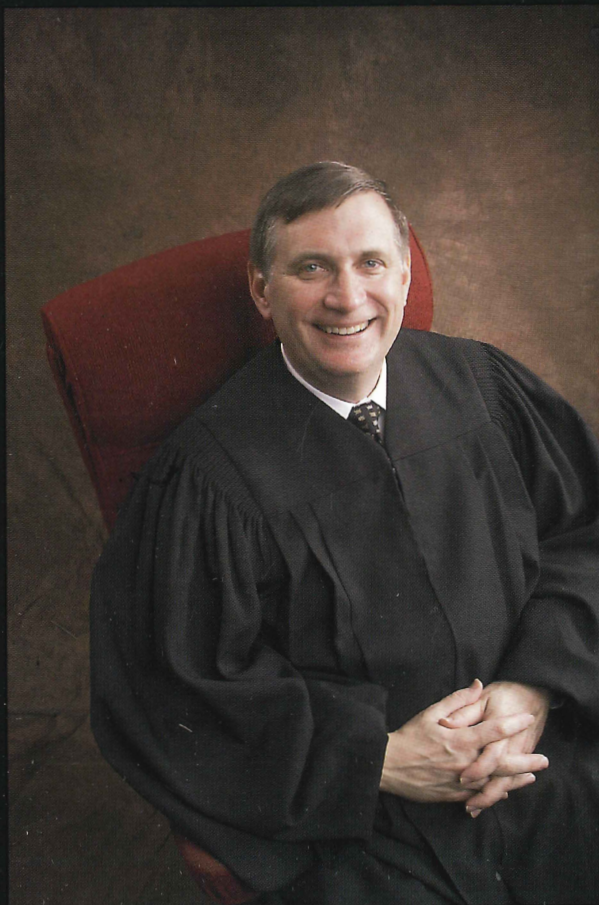
BC's success on the national scene has drawn attention from abroad. Former Eagles quarterback, **Robbie Jenkins, '02**, is playing professional football for the Tyrolean Raiders of Innsbruck, Austria. He traveled to Austria on March 1 to prepare for the Raiders' six-game regular season, which began March 29. Jenkins completed the 2002 season ranked 16th nationally in Division III in passing efficiency.



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SOUND Judgment

By Cara Ellen Modisett
Photos by Richard Boyd



The Hon. G. Steven Agee ('74), Virginia's newest Supreme Court justice, has worn many hats during the years since he graduated from Bridgewater College: attorney, legislator, judge, political conservative, moderate Republican, college trustee, husband, father. There are those who say some of those hats bias others, but Agee's strong sense of ethics and firm academic background have made all of his hats assets, up to his most recent appointment in March to the state's highest court.

“Some people like basketball, some people like football,” says Steve Agee when asked why he made the decision to go into law rather than the ministry, his other field of choice while an undergraduate student.

His decision wasn’t really that arbitrary, and neither have been his successes since then — accepted as a Wallace Scholar at the New York University School of Law, 12 years in the Virginia House of Delegates, three years on the Circuit Court of Appeals, named Outstanding Young Alumnus by Bridgewater College in 1986 and Outstanding Legislator by the Virginia Chamber of Commerce in 1993, a member of the Bridgewater College Board of Trustees.

Now he’s one of two Virginia Supreme Court justices from the city of Salem, Va. (the other is Lawrence Koontz) — an unexpectedly nonmetropolitan demographic for two-sevenths of the bench.

Agee grew up in Roanoke, Va., the most metropolitan area in southwest Virginia. His early years didn’t point to a career in law: In high school, he participated on the debate team, but “that wasn’t very long-lived,” he says. His childhood memories are simple, traditional ones, characteristic of a hometown that’s conservative, surrounded by rural mountains and, even today, retains its small-town feel.

“I have fond recollections of Mill Mountain Zoo, dining at the old S&W Cafeteria on Church Avenue, Christmas parades in downtown Roanoke,” he remembers. “I spent a lot of time, particularly in the summers, at my grandparents’ farms in Patrick County, where I enjoyed hunting and fishing from an early age.”

Boy Scouts (he received the Eagle Scout award) and weekend jobs at the Hidden Valley Country Club filled out his extracurriculars, and at school he joined student government, the French Club and the track team (though he

admits he wasn’t much of an athlete).

Agee was one of four children born to Eva and the late George Agee, who was a pilot in World War II and endured time as a prisoner of war at Stalag XVIIIB, one of Germany’s most notorious war camps.

Agee’s sister Carole pursued a law career and practices in Roanoke; his brothers are in business and banking.

Bridgewater College was a natural choice for Agee, who grew up in the Church of the Brethren and had friends and family who had attended the College. A philosophy and religion major, Agee was a member of two honor societies, the Lambda Society and Alpha Chi, SIRCH (Students Interested In Relating to the Church), the staff of *The Talon* and the Student Senate. He stood out.

“He was obviously very intelligent,” says Bridgewater College president Dr. Phillip Stone, “and he was a real leader.” Stone and Agee have much in common, from an upbringing in the Church of the Brethren to careers in law to family: “We have the same great-grandfather,” Stone adds.

Stone points out the influence of a small college community on Agee’s success as a student and as a graduate. “In a small college environment you have an opportunity to participate so fully,” he explains. “[Agee] knew he could do things he might not have known otherwise.”

Personal connections from Bridgewater College, including friendships with Stone and with former professors, have continued to be a part of Agee’s life. A member of the College’s Board of Trustees, he also has served on the Alumni Association Board of Directors.

“I made many lifelong friends at Bridgewater among students and faculty,” Agee says. In particular, he names several former faculty members as “good teachers and wise counselors,” including Dr. James Kirkwood, professor of English, *emeritus*; Prof. Bob Hueston, associate professor of accounting, *emeritus*; and Dr. Robert McFadden, Anna B. Mow

Professor of religion, *emeritus*.

Additionally, he has maintained close contact with Prof. Steve Watson, associate professor of philosophy and religion, whom he describes as “a close friend and confidante.”

Agee’s acceptance to the University of Virginia School of Law was the deciding factor in his career path. He followed up his 1977 graduation from UVA with an L.L.M. degree in taxation from the New York University School of Law in 1978.

Agee chose corporate and tax law over the often high-profile field of criminal law. He joined the U.S. Army Reserve, serving as a Judge Advocate General Corps and leaving the reserve as a major.

That preference for regulation, numbers and detail may have been part of what led Agee to legislation and politics. In 1982, he made the leap to the Virginia House of Delegates, serving three terms (1982-1994) while continuing in private practice.

“He was a young, energetic lawyer that I felt like had real potential for success,” says Nathan Miller, ’65, a Harrisonburg attorney and Bridgewater College trustee who served in the state Senate when Agee was in the House of Delegates.

“Making legislation is a lot like making sausage — you don’t really know what goes into it ...” says Miller. “As a legislator, you need to look at the law from the context of your constituents. If you put your legal hat on, you look at it in terms of legalese. Steve had the knowledge to balance those requirements, the intelligence to make legislation that is functional, that could stand up in court.”

It was also during the early 1980s that Agee found his wife, Nancy. He had actually met her before. In fact, their history extends back to childhood. “We were in the cherub choir together at Calvary Baptist Church about the age of three or four,” remembers Agee, “and also graduated in the class of 1970 at Cave Spring High School.”

The Hon. G. Steven Agee is sworn in during his investiture ceremony on March 5. The special session of the Virginia Supreme Court was held at Roanoke College.

Inset: Agee with his son, Zachary, and wife, Nancy



It wasn't until Agee was working with other state legislators on Roanoke city projects (including the creation of the now award-winning arts organization, Center in the Square) that he became more than acquaintances with Nancy, a staff member at Carilion Health Center.

"We became reacquainted while she was conducting a tour for the visiting legislators at the cancer center," he recalls, "and the rest is history."

Nancy is now Chief Operating Officer of Carilion Health Systems; they have one son, Zachary, and live in Salem.

In 1992, Agee argued a case in the U.S. Supreme Court (*Patterson v. Shumate*). He lost the case, but still counts it an exciting experience, slipping back again into sports analogies. "It was a great

thrill," he says. "You've moved from the minor leagues of appellate court to the World Series."

After 20 years of private practice with the Roanoke firm of Osterhoudt, Ferguson, Natt, Aheron & Agee, he took off his attorney's hat in January 2001 for yet another career shift — to judge. Named to the Virginia Court of Appeals, Agee served there until nominated and appointed this year to the Virginia Supreme Court.

"I think it was a very predictable choice," Stone says. Having had his own name sent to the White House in 1981 for possible nomination to federal courts, he has his own perspectives on that role.

"You must curtail activities," Stone points out, "be cautious about personal

relationships, to give the appearance of independence and no conflicts of interest." Instead of dealing one-on-one with clients, he says, "you're dealing mostly with briefs, with arguments, with lawyers."

"On one hand, it's exciting, getting back to the basics. On the other hand, it's a challenge."

A challenge that will require three months out of every year in the state capital during Agee's 12-year term. A challenge that will send dozens of cases in front of Agee's eyes every week. A challenge that will put him in the judicial spotlight.

Nathan Miller: "Steve has the demeanor to make a good judge. Reflective, inquisitive and understanding. He's a fine man, and I think he'll make a great judge."

The End of an Era

When the 2002-2003 academic year ended, Dr. John G. Barr's combined service totaled 106 years at Bridgewater State College. A political science professor and Coach John S. Barr, each had served the College for many years. They wished them a happy retirement, and we hope they will find it as fulfilling as their time at Bridgewater.

Quietly Effective

By Heather B. Hayes

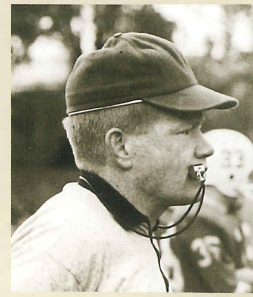
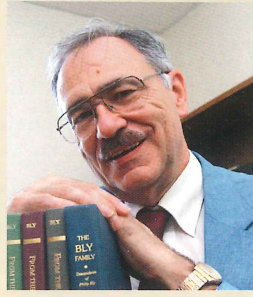
For 35 years, Bridgewater piano and organ professor Dr. John G. Barr has coaxed gifted performances out of his piano and organ students by relying on abundant measures of understanding, encouragement and patience. But Christopher Bono, '88, a Massachusetts native who came to Bridgewater specifically to study organ with Barr, recalls a rare moment when the quiet professor actually lost his cool.

At the time, Barr was engrossed in teaching a music theory class, but his 10 students were all talking amongst themselves. "It was to the point where not a single person was listening to him. So he got mad and snapped at us," Bono says. "And we all just stopped and stared. And I thought, 'Well, we've gone and done it now. We've just made *the nicest person in the world* angry.'"

Indeed, the words that everyone uses to describe Barr, who retired in May, are all variations on the same: warm, sweet, caring, concerned, thoughtful, supportive. But his kind-hearted nature belies a steeliness of purpose and persistence that has made him one of Bridgewater's most effective and beloved music professors, as well as a renowned — and ongoing — composer of best-selling hymn preludes.

"He's so unassuming, but he possesses a tremendous amount of insight and a great deal of musical talent and experience," says Dr. Jesse Hopkins, the Edwin L. Turner Distinguished Professor of Music and department chair, who was among the first students to study with Barr when he first arrived at Bridgewater in the late 1960s. "He's just a joy to know and work with."

His teaching style always emphasized the positive, but students are just as likely to remember his



ended, Bridgewater College said goodbye to three of its well-known, beloved professors, whose
 Dr. John G. Barr, professor of organ and piano; Prof. Daniel W. Bly, assistant professor of history and
 Spencer, assistant professor of health and exercise science and assistant football coach. Dedicated teachers
 college more than three decades, touching the lives of countless Bridgewater alumni. The College wishes
 the stories that follow will evoke heartfelt memories among readers.

somewhat quirky sense of fun. During a class on the music of sub-Saharan Africa, for example, Barr would get up on the table and dance. "That was spectacular," Bono emphasizes.

"He loved to laugh," recalls Becky Jackson, '80, now music director at the United Methodist Church in Centreville, Va. "He was always telling inside jokes, things that you would only get if you were an organist."

At a time when, nationally and regionally, the number of students interested in studying organ is scarce, Bridgewater has an abundance of graduates who are accomplished organists. "That's Dr. Barr's doing, that's his legacy," says Dr. Hopkins. "We've been lucky to have had him for so many years."

Actually, it turns out that Bridgewater was lucky to have had him at all. For Barr's journey to academia was, by any standard, round about. He was born in Oregon, the son of a

Church of the Brethren pastor, and then raised in Idaho. There, at the age of three, he began showing an aptitude for music. "I was able to pick out simple hymn tunes on the piano by ear," he recalls, adding that he started piano lessons at age six. "And no matter what other distracting activity came along, I never lost my interest in music."

He eventually went on to study music in college, receiving his doctorate degree in sacred music from the Union Theological Seminary in New York City. His first professional ventures out were a three-year stint to Nigeria to fulfill his national service commitment teaching one-on-one music lessons at a Christian boarding school and then on to Madison, Wis., for a position as organist and director of music at the University Presbyterian Church, located on the campus of the University of Wisconsin.

While contemplating his future, Barr got a call out of the blue from

Bridgewater College. "I don't know how they got my name, but I jumped at the chance," he says. "I had always wanted to teach at a college."

Making the transition proved a bit tougher than expected, as he had never taught in a classroom environment. But it didn't take him long to develop his own unique style of interacting with students.

"Dr. Barr goes about teaching in such a quiet manner," says Bono, who notes that the professor and his wife, Ann, constantly invited students over for dinner. "Instead of pushing you along as an authoritarian, he pulled you along and, in the process, managed to get you to want to keep studying, to really want to practice and improve."

Barr's own interest in music has never waned over the years. He has been the organist at the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren for 26 years and spends his off hours composing preludes to his favorite hymns. In fact,



Dr. John Barr poses among the pipes located in the Cole Hall organ chamber.

his proudest publishing accomplishment to date is a group of nine compositions inspired by the stained glass windows at his church. Called simply “Church Windows,” this landmark publication has been a bestseller for over two years.

Although sad to leave his teaching post, Barr will remain the organist at his church and hopes to continue consulting with former students and colleagues. Most importantly, he will continue to practice new pieces and compose new music. “Music has been my profession, but it’s also been my hobby,” he says. “I can’t imagine life without it.”

Hands-On History

By Heather B. Hayes

Admittedly, Bridgewater history professor Daniel W. Bly, ’64, tends to avoid the road easily traveled. When he restored an old farmhouse a few years back, for example, he insisted on using historic hand tools — the kind without batteries or electric cords. “My wife used to ask, ‘How come you always want to do everything with a handsaw and a chisel instead of using power tools like everybody else?’” recalls Bly. “And I’d say, ‘I just want to know what it was like to do it the way they did it back then.’”

Not surprisingly, Professor Bly, who retired in May, has extended his penchant for accuracy and tackling tough tasks head-on to his 35-year-long academic career. He researched and wrote history books, for example, on the nearly forgotten German-speaking immigrants who helped settle the Shenandoah Valley — a task that required him to decipher and master the old, arcane German script. And in the classroom, Bly voluntarily veered from his field of expertise in European history to develop Interterm courses on the two most arduous and emotional topics of the 20th century: the Holocaust and the Vietnam War.

The courses, which Bly considers his proudest achievements at Bridgewater, were developed at a time when both topics remained somewhat taboo and little information was available; Bly recalls taking his own time to scrounge around New York City bookstores in the late 1970s in search of books on the Holocaust.

But, says Dr. Robert Andersen, associate dean for academic affairs at the College, the courses quickly became student favorites, thanks to Bly’s “unique ability to take very sensitive subject matter and present in a way in which students could relate to it and understand it.”

And many students who went on to be history teachers picked up on Bly’s knack for historical eclecticism, going on to add Vietnam, the Holocaust, and other emotional topics to their curriculums. “History is the best means we have of trying to understand the world we live in and something about ourselves,” Bly says. “So given that, you really can’t shy away from the tough topics. You have to embrace it all.”

This passion and respect for history can be traced back to a childhood spent in Strasburg, Va., listening to deep-rooted family stories about the settlement of the Shenandoah Valley and steam-powered tractors, and playing on a former Civil War battlefield. “My family liked to talk of things in the past, and I lived so much in the past that I was always fascinated by it,” Bly explains. His first real attempt to bring history to life came as a teenager, when he and his younger brother stood on opposite ends of a cross-cut saw, cut down trees and built a one-room log cabin with a stone fireplace. “I tried to do everything according to the way I saw from the old buildings.”

When the 1964 Bridgewater graduate later decided on a teaching career, he also decided to reject the growing trend towards specialization

and embrace his diverse historical interests. “I think my philosophy of history is that I’d rather see some of the bigger patterns, to understand the broader implications,” he says. “That’s why I always enjoyed something like the history of Southeast Asia because it’s such a contrast to European history. It allows me to compare and see the differences and understand why they’re there.”

His students over the years have appreciated his enthusiasm, recalling that his vivid, engaging lecture style helped to both encourage and challenge in equal measure. Former student Nancy Taylor Sorrells, ’81, humorously characterized Bly’s classes as a breeding ground for writer’s cramp. “Pages and pages of notes each day in class and then the essay tests,” she remembers. “Suffice it to say that an entire forest suffered the effects of his essay tests.”

In fact, Bly’s essay tests have become something of a legend around Bridgewater. Claude Simmons, ’69, recalls that when he began taking Bly’s final exam for his Western Civilization class, it was a beautiful, sunny January day. But when he finally got the chance to look up from his blue book, there were four inches of snow on the ground!

Brandon Robinson, who recently completed his master’s degree in history at James Madison University, calls Bly “incredibly inspiring,” even giving the professor credit for his decision to take his interest in studying history a step further. Claude’s wife, Susanne Schramm Simmons, ’71, now a high school history teacher, saved every single note taken and every paper written. She states simply, “I am most proud of the grades I earned in Professor Bly’s courses.”

Of course, Bly will miss his students, but he’s also looking forward to retirement. “I plan to loaf,” he admits. But not for long. Up next: more carpentry, more writing and lots of traveling to the locales of his favorite historic topics. “Being involved with

history has made my life richer and more fulfilling,” he says. “It’s a part of me, and that won’t ever change — no matter what I’m doing.”

Simply Stated

By Karen Doss Bowman

Some of life’s most important lessons can be stated simply. Coach John Spencer is remembered fondly among football alumni as a man whose one-liners packed powerful lessons.

John Coleman, ’91, recalls many of the Coach’s phrases, intended for football play but applicable throughout life: *Pick your head up, Coleman; Do it again, Coleman; Keep digging; and We’ll get ’em next time.* Another memorable Spencer adage that still has meaning for Coleman, particularly when facing personal struggles: *The sun will come up tomorrow.*

Though Bridgewater football teams of the past notoriously lost more games than they won, Coleman says, “I wouldn’t have traded those days of lessons learned for anything in the world, and Coach Spencer was a big part of it. If it wasn’t a kick in the rear to get you motivated in the right direction, it was a one-liner that you got to hold on to for the rest of your life.”

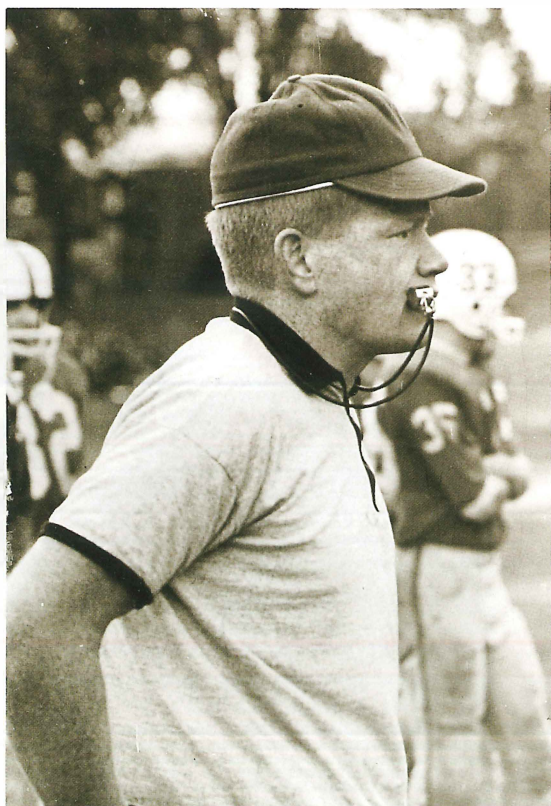
The descriptions of Spencer from colleagues and former players vary: frank, fair, laid back with a good sense of humor, quietly confident and unassuming — in fact, Spencer declined to be interviewed for this article. Although he’s been known to get fired up during games, many say he’s a man of few words.

That’s not to say that Coach Spencer is *always* reserved. Barry Myers, ’69, who describes the coach as “efficient in his use of words,” jokes, “There were times when we’d wish he’d shut up!” Sitting in a classroom in Nininger Hall, for example, watching film from the previous Saturday’s game. Myers recalls that Spencer sometimes

Prof. Daniel Bly displays some of his books. “From the Rhine to the Shenandoah” tells the history of 18th century German and Swiss settlers in the Shenandoah Valley. “The Bly Family” is a genealogical account of his family.



Coach John Spencer in his early days at Bridgewater, as head coach of the Eagles football squad.



would run the same play 12 times, pointing out mistakes and giving tips on how to improve.

But even when Spencer was admonishing his players, Myers says, “There was always a caring in his voice — a sincerity in his voice that got us to respond to him.”

Myers also remembers Spencer as quite the storyteller who has “a funny slant on life.” When the coach would sit on the bench in the locker room and tape up players’ ankles before games (in the days before Bridgewater had athletic trainers), Spencer would draw a small crowd of players as he told stories from his days as a student athlete at Shepherd College (W.Va.).

Leaving his post as assistant football coach and track coach at Gardner-Webb College (N.C.), Spencer joined the Bridgewater faculty in 1967 as assistant football coach and director of the intramural program. A year later, when Kenneth Day resigned from the head coaching position, Spencer took over the job.

Despite Bridgewater football’s historic losing record, former players and BC’s current coaching staff applaud Spencer’s accomplishments under challenging working conditions in the days when the football program was meagerly funded and woefully understaffed. Spencer not only coached the team — he also carried out the mundane tasks often done by a support staff in larger football programs, such as picking up equipment, doing laundry and ordering cleats. At the same time, Spencer taught full time in the department of health and physical education.

With Spencer at the helm, the Eagles had their first-ever winning season in the fall of 1968. Additionally, Spencer coached the Eagles to a 6-3

overall record and the Old Dominion Athletic Conference championship in 1980. He was voted ODAC and Virginia Small College Coach of the Year that season. He stepped down from the head coaching position in 1984 and continued as an assistant coach.

Head football coach Michael Clark points out that Spencer also understands and values the academic aspect of athletic programs. “‘Spence’ was an advisor to the players,” Clark says. “They went to him if they needed to talk about what classes to take.”

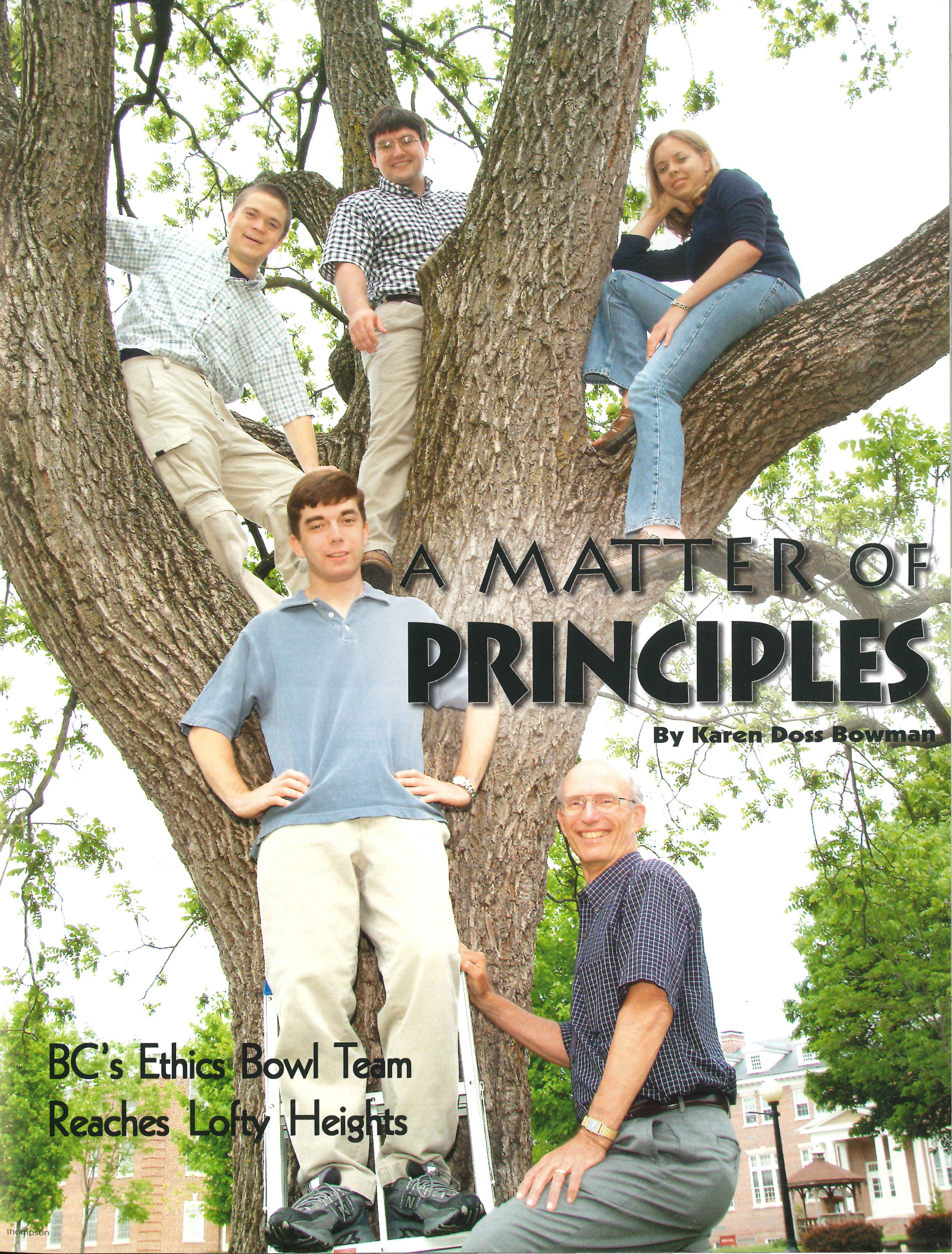
Football itself was a learning experience for Myers, who said during his 2002 induction into Bridgewater’s Athletic Hall of Fame, “I learned more on that football field than in any other class.” From playing football, he says he learned about sacrifice, cooperation, strategy and never giving up. “A good coach has the affection of his team, and that’s a two-way street,” he adds. “The coach gives a sense of dedication and commitment, and the students reciprocate. It’s those things that you sense, feel, learn and take with you.”

Spencer’s impact at Bridgewater is unmistakable, considering the large number of alumni who visit with or inquire about the coach when they return to campus. And his pearls of wisdom doled out over the years obviously made such a strong impression that former players like Barry Myers and John Coleman can still quote the man.

“We’re in an age and time where success in coaching is measured by wins and contracts, and that’s unfortunate,” Clark says. “In its purest sense, success in coaching should be measured by influence. By that standard, John Spencer is a guy who’s had tremendous success.”

A man who has become a legend at Bridgewater — without saying very much at all.

“Every now and then you come across icons in coaching,” Clark says. “I’ve been privileged to work with one.” ■

A full-page photograph of five people climbing a large, thick tree. In the center, a young man in a blue polo shirt and khaki pants stands on a ladder, leaning against the tree trunk. Above him, two other young men are perched on higher branches; one is wearing a light blue plaid shirt and khaki pants, and the other is wearing a black and white checkered shirt and khaki pants. To the right, a young woman in a dark blue long-sleeved shirt and jeans sits on a branch. In the bottom right, an older man with glasses, wearing a blue and white checkered shirt and grey pants, is climbing the tree. The background shows green foliage and a brick building.

A MATTER OF PRINCIPLES

By Karen Doss Bowman

BC's Ethics Bowl Team
Reaches Lofty Heights



ethics bowl photos courtesy of VFIC

Bottom right:
VFIC president Ned Moore presents the trophy to Bridgewater's team.

In light of the corporate scandals that have dominated recent national news headlines, "business ethics" may sound like an oxymoron. But a team of four Bridgewater College students successfully proved that even the most challenging corporate conundrums might be resolved honorably.

Chris Collins, a 2003 graduate, rising senior Peter Munday, and rising juniors Rachel Manspeaker and Mitchell Troup won the fourth annual statewide Ethics Bowl Competition in February, after spending a day engaged in spirited discussions on corporate-oriented, ethical case dilemmas and presenting their recommendations for the best ethical solutions. The event was sponsored by the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges (VFIC) at Marymount University in Arlington, Va.

Bridgewater president Dr. Phillip C. Stone is just as proud of this team's victory as he would be of any athletic team's success. Shortly after the competition, Stone told Harrisonburg's *Daily News-Record* that he considered the win a "bell-ringer," referring to the College tradition of commemorating athletic triumphs by ringing the Memorial Hall bell.

"Bridgewater's outstanding Ethics Bowl team demonstrated not only its abilities in critical thinking, articulation and persuasion, but also the understanding of ethical principles and the ability to apply them," Stone says. "It is hard to imagine any activity that better exemplifies the College's mission. In winning, the team brought great distinction to the College."

On the day of competition, the Bridgewater team participated in six hour-long discussion rounds against their peers from the 14 other VFIC member schools, which include Washington and Lee University, the University of Richmond, and Roanoke and Randolph-



Macon colleges. They defeated Marymount in the final match.

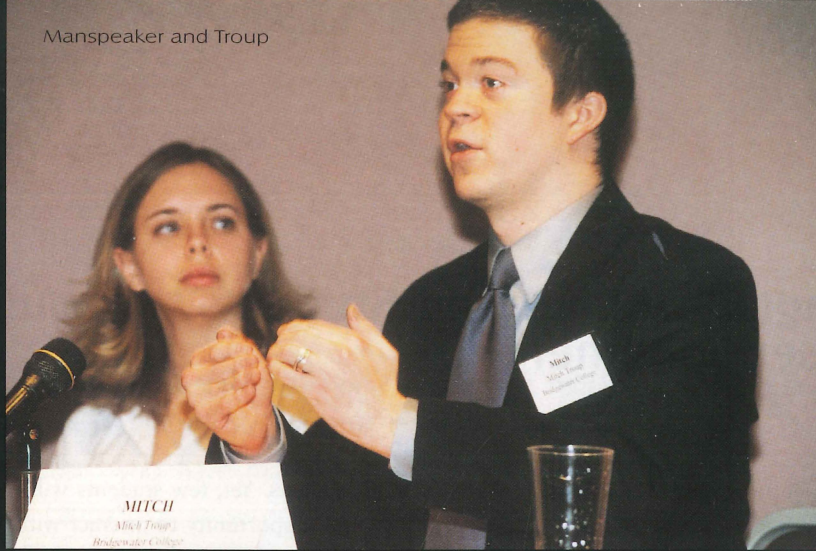
Prior to the event, the teams at each school were given 14 hypothetical cases that would be discussed in competition. The cases addressed controversial business issues such as insider trading, questionable accounting practices, use of computer data and executive compensation. Led by their coach, philosophy and religion professor Steve Watson, Bridgewater's team spent hours engaged in research and developing as many ethical solutions as possible for each case. This process teaches the students as much as the actual competition, Watson says. "The preparation is the best time to think about the issues."

And he can't resist adding, "Our team had a very convincing win. Some of the other teams asked me afterwards how we had prepared."

Right vs. wrong isn't always a clear-cut issue, and Watson challenges students to "move beyond simplistic ethical analyses to more realistic and profound deliberations of current ethical dilemmas — not just thinking in terms of black and white, but all

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The Ethics Bowl team is up for any challenge, even scaling the walnut tree on the campus mall. Team members are (clockwise, starting far left): Mitchell Troup, Peter Munday, Rachel Manspeaker, Prof. Steve Watson and Chris Collins.



areas of gray.” Part of that, he explains, is teaching students that ethical decisions should transcend their biases to include taking responsibility for life in concert with other human beings. “Ethics is about living lives of social responsibility; relating to other human beings,” he says.

Collins says he was surprised by the variety of ethical approaches proposed by other teams, but he enjoyed the high level of discussion that came out of the process. “I really think that if we could get more people at BC talking about these issues on a more sophisticated level than they’re accustomed to, then that’s the real benefit of the Ethics Bowl,” he says.

Another perk, Collins points out, is the opportunity to meet high-profile Virginia business and community leaders, including Roger Mudd, History Channel journalist and VFIC trustee, who was master of ceremonies. Nearly 50 high-profile business and community leaders from the state critiqued the students’ arguments. Among the judges and moderators were Margaret Warner, senior correspondent for *NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*; Janice

Minshall, vice president and director of communications for GEICO Corp.; and Alan Wurtzel, chairman emeritus of Circuit City Stores. Wachovia Bank was the lead sponsor.

The exposure to the corporate heavy-hitters also benefits Bridgewater College in terms of publicity and recognition. “In an age where people recognize the need for ethics discussion, this event got publicity,” Watson says. “And with the presence of judges, CEOs and business people from all walks of life, it certainly raised awareness among large groups of people about our college.”

Stone and Mudd co-founded the VFIC Ethics Bowl in 1999, when both co-chaired the organization’s Ethics Task Force, an initiative to raise the level of awareness and promote discourse among students about ethical issues. The ethics focus extends to Bridgewater’s campus, where students have numerous opportunities to attend lectures and workshops addressing issues such as race relations and date rape. The College also hosts an on-campus Ethics Bowl each fall — with the winning team advancing to the VFIC competition. Additionally, students are required to sign an Honor Code Pledge upon enrollment and are expected to abide by a Code of Ethics.

“We continue to ask in rhetorical terms what educated people should know,” Stone says. “That is, what should our students be like when they graduate? An important aspect of that is the dedication to ethics on campus. The ethics initiative reminds us that it’s never to be taken for granted.” ■

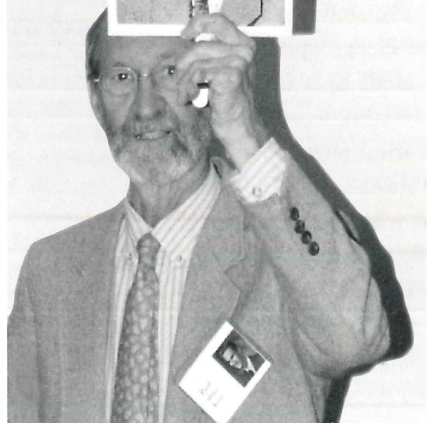
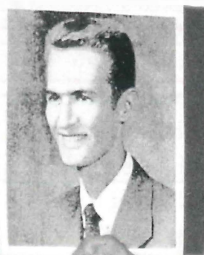
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The BC team squares off with Marymount’s team in the final round.

Familiar Face

There are few Bridgewater alumni from the last four plus decades who don't recognize **Paul Kline**, beloved professor of art *emeritus*, who taught at the College from 1959 until his retirement in 1997. But would they recognize Paul Kline, BC student?

Kline and fellow members of the class of 1953 sported their youthful mugs again on Alumni Weekend (for fun — and it didn't hurt with facial recall, either) as they were inducted into the Ripples Society, the College's 50-year club.



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Bringing Alumni and Students Closer Together

Ellen K. Layman, '65

Ed Burgess was a Bridgewater College junior when he first took a course taught by Dr. Bernard Logan, now professor of economics and business administration, *emeritus*.

Burgess remembers it well.

"It was: *Whoa!* I became enthralled with economics. He demanded more of me academically than any other professor in my four years of college. And I responded to that," he says now with an enthusiasm that belies the fact that he took that first economics course more than 40 years ago.

Over the intervening years, Burgess and Logan have become lifelong friends. "He has been important, profoundly influential, in my life," Burgess says.

As he enters into the presidency of the Bridgewater College Alumni Association for 2003-04, Burgess is reflecting on his BC years and his expectation that current students would have similar life-enhancing relationships here.

While he acknowledges that Bridgewater is not unique among colleges in its ability to nurture lasting friendships, he sees many opportunities for alumni to positively affect the student experience.

"We have a pool of alumni — a large, untapped reservoir of resources — that could be of great benefit to the College ... And these alumni have almost no exposure to the students," Burgess says. He recalls reviewing nominations for alumni awards in recent years and being thoroughly impressed with the candidates'

achievements. Yet, few students will have the opportunity to interact with the award winners when they are on campus. "I would like to see us have a project to enlighten the students about alumni. They don't know who we are."

It is that opportunity to be a part of improving the College that has fueled Burgess' involvement in the alumni association. He notes that he often is quick to offer suggestions, perhaps even criticize, but appreciates the value of alumni offering ideas. "And I do understand resistance to change," he says.

Burgess graduated from Bridgewater in 1962 with a B.A. in history and a minor in economics. He earned a Ph.D. in history at Duke University in 1977 and has taught at the college level in North Carolina.

He, his wife, Ann, and their 14-year-old daughter, Sarah, live in Richmond.

A piece of advice for today's BC students?

The new BCAA president said he would encourage students to adopt the philosophy that, "I am here to broaden my horizons. I will do more than what the College requires of me academically."

That was the lesson he received from Dr. Logan and another of his favorite professors, Dr. Hugh Akerman Jr., who taught history at the College from 1958-62. "They kicked me into a different gear academically," he says with appreciation. ■

Alumni Weekend Honors

Alumni Weekend is not only a time for reunions, but also an opportunity for the Bridgewater College Alumni Association to recognize individuals who have made notable accomplishments and contributions in their careers or in service to their communities.

This year, the association also presented the inaugural **West-Whitelow Award for Humanitarian Service** to Naomi Miller West, '29, and Carlyle Whitelow, '59. The award, named in their honor, will be given annually to celebrate alumni who demonstrate the same caring, serving attitude exemplified by West and Whitelow.

DR. ELIZABETH C. GLICK-RIEMAN

RIPPLES SOCIETY MEDAL

Since 1978, Elizabeth ("Beth") Cline Glick-Rieman has been a full-time writer, speaker and consultant devoted to issues of peace and social justice. The founder and director of HEIRS, Human Empowerment in Religion and Society, she conducts workshops on personal and professional growth for individuals and organizations.

A seasoned international traveler, Glick-Rieman has published many books and articles, including several biblical study guides for women and *Peace Train to Beijing and Beyond: The Hope and Promise of the U.N. Fourth World Conference on Women*. Her most recent book, *Opening Your Heart*, was recently submitted to the publisher.

After graduating from Bridgewater College in 1944 with a bachelor's degree in music education, Glick-Rieman received an M.A. from the University of Pittsburgh in 1950 and a doctor of ministry from

the Consortium on Higher Education in Religion Studies (United Theological Seminary) in 1974. The next year, Glick-Rieman was ordained in the Church of the Brethren, which she now calls "The Church of Reconciliation." She currently is a member of the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley, Calif., where she leads writing workshops and serves on the study committee, "The Constitution for a Federation of Earth."

CHARLES L. SNYDER

RIPPLES SOCIETY MEDAL

After joining State Farm Insurance Company in 1950 as an office adjuster, Charles L. Snyder quickly rose through the ranks as field adjuster, claim superintendent in the Eastern Division, divisional claim superintendent for the West Virginia Division, and West Virginia district and division manager. Following a short tenure as Ohio Division manager, Snyder was promoted to deputy

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Left: Beth Glick-Rieman
Right: Charles Snyder



L to R:
Cory Adamson, John Plumb,
Darla Kay Deardorff

regional vice president of the East Central Region in 1963, and served in that capacity until he was transferred in 1968 to the Seaboard Regional Offices as operational deputy regional vice president, a position he held until retiring in November 1987.

Throughout his career, Snyder also has been deeply involved in community service. A member of the American Red Cross Board of Directors for over 30 years, he was named the organization's Volunteer of the Year in 1972 for his diligent work helping stranded victims during Tropical Storm Agnes. He is chairman *emeritus* of the Frederick Memorial Hospital Board of Directors' Development Council.

He also is a board member for the American Heart Association; Buckingham's Choice, a retirement community; and the United Way of Frederick County. He received his J.D. degree from Washington and Lee University School of Law.

DR. JOHN A. PLUMB

2003 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD

As a faculty member in Auburn University's Department of Fisheries and Allied Aquacultures from 1969 to 1998, Dr. John A. Plumb developed and taught courses that prepared students to

diagnose and treat fish diseases. He also supervised the university's Fish Diseases Diagnostic Laboratory from 1973 until his retirement, preparing case reports and client recommendations for nearly 400 fish health cases each year.

Recognized as a world authority on channel catfish virus disease, Plumb has been a prolific scholar. As principal investigator or co-principal investigator on research projects, Plumb brought in more than \$3 million in grant funds to Auburn University from sources such as the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the U.S. Department of the Interior and the National Science Foundation. He also was a co-founder of the *Journal of Aquatic Animal Health* in 1989, and served in that capacity until his retirement.

Plumb's contributions to fish health are credited for the advancement of the catfish farming industry in the Southeastern United States. In 1982, he received the Distinguished Service Award from the Catfish Farmers of America. He also received the S.F. Snieszko Distinguished Service Award from the Fish Health Section of the American Fisheries Society and the Distinguished Service Award from the American Fisheries Society.

After graduating from Bridgewater College in 1960, Plumb earned a master's degree from Southern Illinois University and his doctorate from Auburn.

DR. D. CORY ADAMSON

YOUNG ALUMNUS AWARD

Dr. D. Cory Adamson, a chief resident in the Division of Neurosurgery in Duke's Department of Surgery, is engaged in research involving the development of genetic therapies for brain tumors using viral vector strategies, as well as the surgical treatment of these tumors. He has published articles in professional journals such as *Molecular Medicine*, *Journal of Neuroscience* and *Science*.

Adamson is completing his fourth year of residency at Duke and will finish the placement next July. He is a member of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons and the Congress of Neurological Surgeons.

After graduating from Bridgewater College in 1991, Adamson earned an M.D. and Ph.D. from The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in 1998, along with an M.L.A. in dramaturgy and Arthurian legend. The following year, he earned an M.P.H. from the university's Bloomberg School of Public Health.

Adamson has received numerous awards honoring his medical research. Last year, he received the Kenneth Shulman Award. As a student at Johns Hopkins, he earned honors including the David Israel Macht Young Investigator Research Award, the McAlpin Award for research in psychiatric diseases, the School of Public Health MPH Scholarship Award, and two grant awards from the National Institutes of Health.

DARLA KAY BOWMAN DEARDORFF

YOUNG ALUMNUS AWARD

Darla Kay Bowman Deardorff is coordinator of the Duke-UNC Rotary Center for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution, where she develops policies, procedures and curriculum for as many as 20 scholars each year. The center — one of seven worldwide — is located on the Duke University campus. Deardorff previously worked in the Office of International Scholar and Student Services at North Carolina State University (NCSU).

Deardorff also teaches English as a second language to international students and immigrants. Founder of the ESL Continuing Education Program at NCSU, Deardorff currently serves as its chair, and she is an ESL instructor at Wake Technical Community College in Raleigh. Additionally, she instructs professionals, businesspersons and teachers on cross-cultural awareness and communication issues, as well as providing teacher training in English as a second language.

An avid traveler, Deardorff has completed internships and short-term work projects in Geneva, Switzerland; Hannover, Germany; Honduras, Central America; and Hokkaido, Japan.

After graduating from Bridgewater in 1992, with a degree in history and political science and minors in German and philosophy, Deardorff earned a master of education degree from NCSU in 1998. She currently is pursuing a doctor of education degree, with a concentration in international education, from the university.

NAOMI MILLER WEST

WEST-WHITELOW AWARD FOR HUMANITARIAN SERVICE

Naomi Elizabeth Miller West, a 1929 Bridgewater graduate and former schoolteacher, has been active throughout her life in refugee aid and relief projects.

Nearly 50 years ago, West became involved in refugee resettlement. During the years since, she has assisted more than 150 refugees from places such as Ethiopia, Vietnam, Poland, the Netherlands, Austria, Iran and Iraq, helping them adapt to their new culture — and becoming their friend. She served for many years as the refugee coordinator for the Church of the Brethren's Shenandoah District.

As president of Church Women United in York, Pa., West became involved in prison ministry, visiting women in local jails and writing letters to inmates on death row. Since moving back to Bridgewater in 1974, she has served on the board of the Gemeinschaft Home, a halfway home for parolees in Harrisonburg.

West was involved in the establishment of the Central Valley Habitat for Humanity, and she has been a volunteer at the Bridgewater Home.

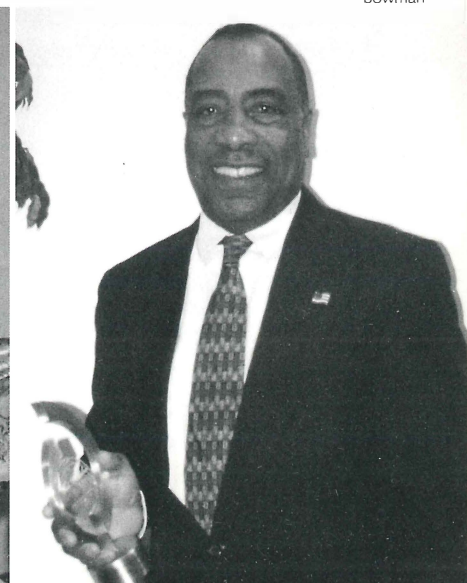
Awards for her humanitarian efforts include the Valiant Woman Award from Church Women United of Harrisonburg-Rockingham County in 1986, and the Shenandoah District Church of the Brethren's Refugee Resettlement Coordinator Citation in 1989. Bridgewater College honored her with an Outstanding Service Award in 1988 and the Ripples Society Medal in 1993. The Shenandoah Chapter of the National Society of Fund-Raising Executives named her Philanthropist of the Year in 1994.

CARLYLE WHITELOW

WEST-WHITELOW AWARD FOR HUMANITARIAN SERVICE

Carlyle Whitelaw and his late brother, Alfred (class of 1960), grew up on Bridgewater's campus, ►

Left: Naomi Miller West
Right: Carlyle Whitelaw



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where their father, Faith, worked as the head chef for many years, and their mother, Muriel, known for her pie baking, worked alongside her husband.

After graduating from Bridgewater in 1959, Whitelow taught for 10 years in the Staunton public schools and earned a master's degree at the University of Virginia. In 1969, he joined the Bridgewater College faculty, teaching in the physical education department and coaching football, basketball and tennis.

Though Whitelow retired in 1997, he continues to be involved in community service. He spends much of his free time visiting patients at Rockingham Memorial Hospital and residents at

the Bridgewater Retirement Home and currently volunteers as a chaplain for the staff at the home. A longtime member of the Bridgewater Rotary Club, Carlyle was a charter member of the board of directors of the Rockingham Educational Foundation Inc. He is an active member of the John Wesley United Methodist Church in Harrisonburg.

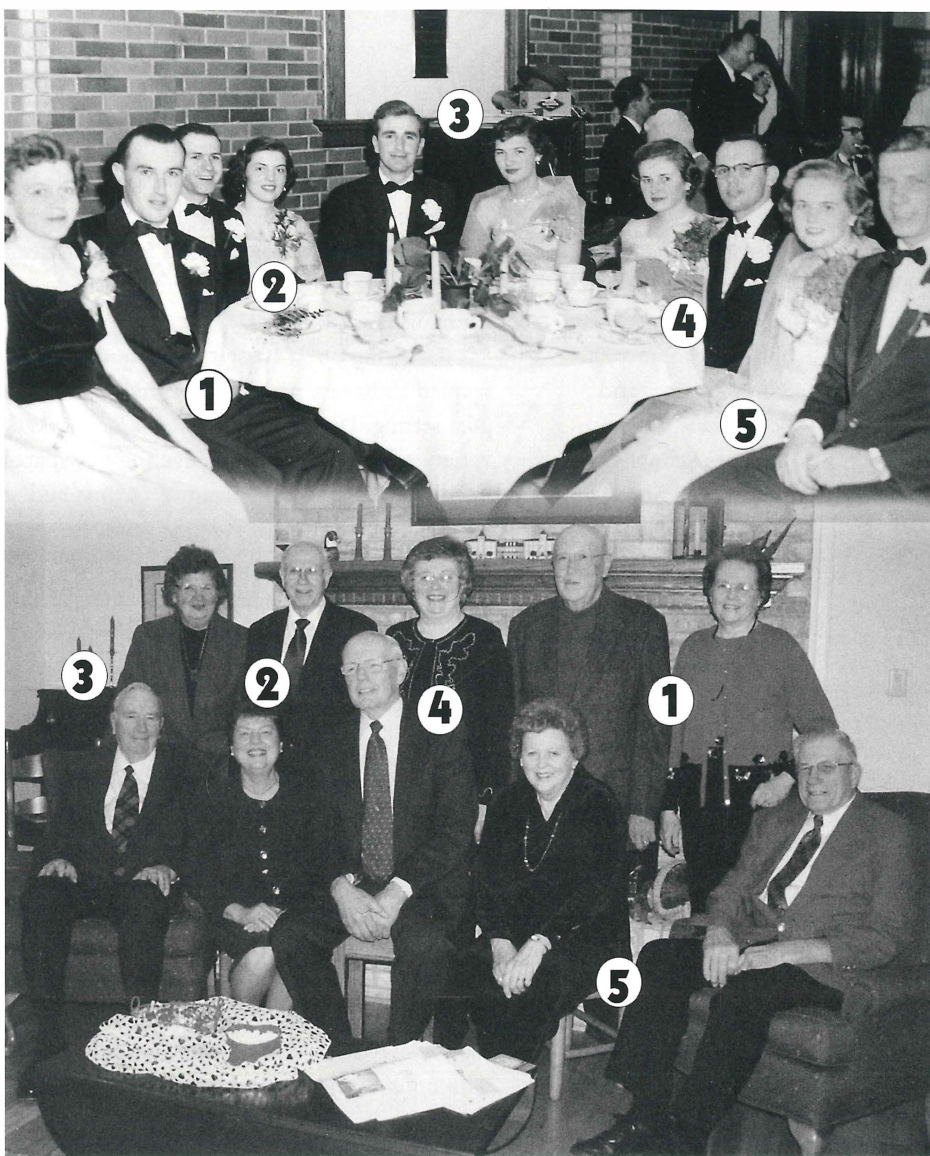
Whitelow was inducted into the Bridgewater College Athletic Hall of Fame in 2001. The College presented the Outstanding Service Award to Carlyle and his parents and brother in 1995. The family's legacy at the College will continue to touch future generations of Bridgewater students through the Whitelow Family Scholarship. ■

Golden Anniversary

After 50 years, these members of the class of 1953 returned to their alma mater for an Alumni Weekend celebration and induction into the College's Ripples Society.

(L TO R) ROW 1: Lois Glick Wine, Josephine Spangler Wampler, Betty Judy-Hylton, Lois Atkinson Weiskittel, Barbara Sellers Roller, Betty Kline Simmers, Frank Beahm; **ROW 2:** Wayne E. Spangler, Betty Lou Fike Myers, Barbara Metzger Anderson, Helen Wine Shickel, Doris Moyer Whitmore, Mary Lee Wampler Spangler; **ROW 3:** Janet E. Smith, Helen Bowman Moore, Edith Cosner Griffith, Arlyn S. Arnold, J. Willard Bowman, Louie T. Hargett; **ROW 4:** H. William Mason, Dorothy Richardson Teates, J.H. Caricofe, James E. Utterback Jr., C. Jack Wine; **ROW 5:** Paul M. Kline, Donald R. Huffman, Marion E. Mason, Fred W. Wampler, Marion "Lucy" Wright Clark, Bernice Walker Skaggs, George V. Clark, Otis D. Kitchen, John K. Boltrott, George L. Graham





Still Sweethearts After 50 Years!

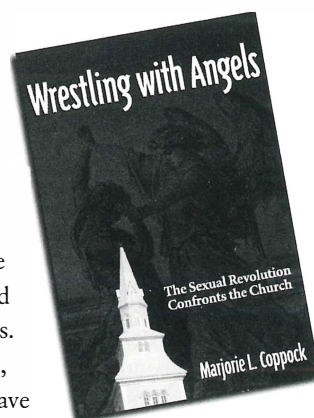
For these five couples, 50 years ago seems like yesterday. The top photo was taken all those years ago, when the couples — then dating — gathered for a Sweetheart Banquet in Rebecca Hall, the former dining room (top photo). Each couple later married and all have remained friends. This past Valentine's Day, the group met again for a Sweetheart Reunion, gathering to reminisce at the home of Chester and Eleanor Bowman (bottom photo) in Bridgewater before having dinner in the President's Dining Room on campus.

Couple 1: Bruce ('53) and Joyce Shiflet ('56) Hammer. *Bruce passed away June 3;* **Couple 2:** Wayne ('53) and Carol Compton ('56) Spangler; **Couple 3:** Marion ('53) and Joan Myers ('54) Mason; **Couple 4:** Chester ('54) and Eleanor Lockridge ('55) Bowman; **Couple 5:** Harlan ('54) and Joanna Humbert ('55) Eller

BC Alumna Book Release

Dr. Marjorie Hare Coppock's book, "*Wrestling with Angels — The Sexual Revolution Confronts the Church*," was released in May. She has studied the sexual revolution that swept across the United States during the late 20th century and asserts that this revolution brought profound changes in sexual behaviors and family relations, jeopardizing the ability of the family to act as a reproductive support group for religious values and ideas.

A 1959 Bridgewater graduate, Coppock received her Ph.D. from Texas A&M University. She taught sociology in the Texas A&M University and University of Texas systems. She and her husband, Carl, live in San Antonio, and have three adult children.



The Indispensable Man

Heather B. Hayes

After 42 years of teaching and service at the University of Virginia's Darden School of Business, Professor **C. Ray Smith, '56**, had plans to retire this August and was looking forward to leisurely reading the *Wall Street Journal* each morning. Or so he thought.

But then Darden's board of trustees selected

him to become a fellow trustee, and Bob Harris, the graduate school's dean, asked Smith to come around on occasion and help out on a project basis. "We're just not going to let him get away that easily," Harris states. "We still need his advice."

Not surprisingly, "Cool Ray," as his students affectionately call him, didn't argue. This Bridgewater alumnus has been Darden's go-to man since his years as an MBA student in the late 1950s, happily taking on whatever job or role is necessary to improve the school's academic performance and reputation. He has

taught in all five of Darden's academic areas, served as interim dean three times, authored numerous books, helped create an international board exam that's now taken by 100,000 financial analysts each year and directed the Darden School Foundation since 1996, a period of time when endowments doubled.

With characteristic humility, Smith downplays his accomplishments, attributing his impressive achievements to simply "showing up everyday. That gets you 90 percent of the way there."

Others, however, note that Smith's brilliance, work ethic and people skills have been

his secrets to success. And there has been plenty of recognition for his dedication and generosity of time and spirit. In 1995, he was awarded Darden's prestigious Charles C. Abbott Award, named in honor of the school's founding dean, and received Bridgewater's Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1991.

Growing up in Bassett, Va., Smith always seemed to have a penchant for multi-tasking and goal setting. During his teen years, he worked a variety of jobs, including delivering newspapers, manning the lines at a furniture factory, and building bridges. In his gung-ho style, he sometimes set the bar too high for himself. "I remember once I decided that I wanted to earn \$100 in one week," he explains. "I worked 90 hours, but I was only making \$1 an hour, so I didn't quite make it!"

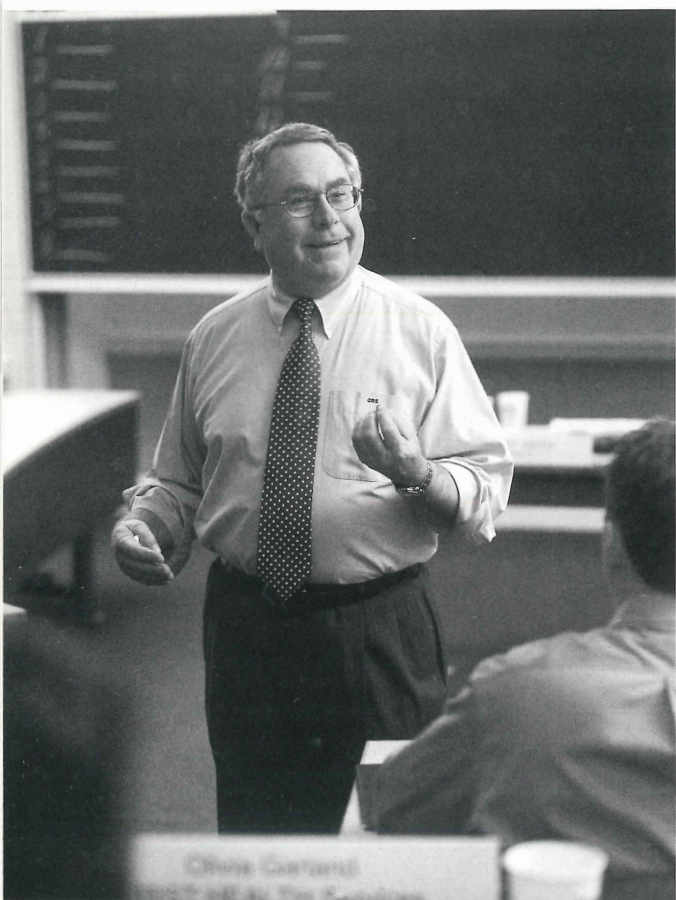
While working at a local retail store, Smith caught the business bug. He enrolled at Bridgewater and studied economics and commerce (and, not surprisingly, served as president of several clubs). One of his professors eventually convinced him to go on and get his MBA, not a typical career avenue in those days.

After graduation and a stint in the Army, Smith was on the brink of accepting a position in the private sector when Darden lured him back with a job teaching accounting. Later, there would be other tempting offers from the business world, but Smith always remained loyal to his academic post.

"It's not many people who get to go to school every day of their life," he says. "It's been a lot of fun."

Now that he's facing "semi-retirement," Smith also plans to devote more time to his role on the Bridgewater College Board of Trustees. "I'm on the Investment Committee, and I've always been able to attend those meetings, but it seems like the board of trustees meetings were often in conflict with my Darden schedule," he says. "Now, I'll hopefully be able to get a lot more involved."

Given the results that Smith has achieved for Darden, Bridgewater will be only too happy to have him "show up." ■



1935

Dr. Everette L. May of Richmond, Va., is a chemistry research professor at the Medical College of Virginia.

1947

Dr. Homer M. Kline Jr. of King George, Va., was honored by the Colonial Beach Masonic Lodge No. 199 for 50 years of membership as a Mason.

1952

Paige and **Jean Bowman Gordon**, '54, of Pagosa Springs, Colo., are traveling around the United States full time in their RV.

1953

Dr. Otis Kitchen of Elizabethtown, Pa., has been selected for the 2003 edition of Who's Who in America.

1954

Jean Bowman Gordon (see Paige Gordon, '52).

1960

Gail Conlon Quick has been promoted to associate chancellor at the University of South Carolina at Beaufort.

1967

In August, **Dr. H. Emerson Poling** completed 28 years of practice as an anesthesiologist in Winchester, Va. He is a major on active duty with the United States Air Force Medical Corps, serving a three-year term as a staff anesthesiologist at Eglin Hospital at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida. His wife, the former **Ann Mabe**, '68, is a substitute middle school teacher, a hospice volunteer and a member of the Shenandoah Arts Academy Chorale. They have two adult sons.

Dr. Linda Knight Wilson of Mathews, Va., is serving a two-year term as a member of the P. Buckley Moss Foundation for Children's Education Board. The foundation promotes the integration of the arts into all educational programs. She retired in 1999 after serving 23 years in the Fairfax County public school system as a middle school teacher and high school guidance counselor.

1968

Elaine Hartman McGann is practicing as a licensed clinical psychologist in Harrisonburg, Va. In 2000, she received a Ph.D. degree in clinical psychology from The Union Institute. As an ordained Church of the Brethren minister, she continues to serve as an interim pastor and provides pulpit supply for congregations in the Shenandoah District. She continues to write *Wild Goose Wisdom*, a monthly publication she began 10 years ago. With the death of her father, **Cecil L.**

Hartman, '34, in January, she and her husband, **Ted McGann Jr.**, '68, have completed 30 years of caring for their parents.

Ann Mabe Poling (see Dr. H. Emerson Poling, '67).

Richard Wasilius of Neshanic, N.J., is retiring after 20 years with Johnson & Johnson, the last 10 as corporate vice president of information management. In this position, he was responsible for the company's information system and directing strategies for more than 190 divisions worldwide. Wasilius says he and his wife, the former **Brenda DeMasi**, '70, plan to spend their retirement "enjoying each other's company and creating wonderful memories." They are looking forward to wintering in the far south.

1970

Brenda DeMasi Wasilius (see Richard Wasilius, '68).

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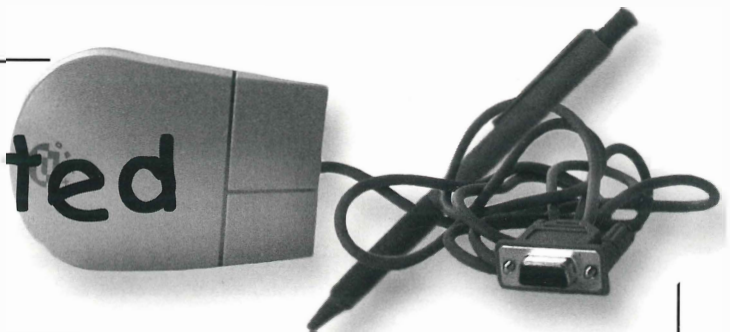
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1980

Chris Lumsden of South Boston, Va., was named to the Virginia State Board for Community Colleges by Governor Mark Warner. He also was instrumental in securing funding for the Southside Virginia Higher Education Center.

Terry Eichelberger Tusing is executive director of Canterbury Community Nursery School. Prior to being named to this position in 1999, she taught at Beaverdam Elementary School in Hanover County. Tusing lives in Richmond, Va., with her husband, Steve, and two daughters.

1982

Robert B. Fowler and Heather have a daughter, Avery, born Dec. 15, 2002. The family lives in Lutz, Fla.

In December, **Joanne Heffleger** earned a master of business administration degree from Pepperdine University in Malibu, Calif. She is employed at Amgen, a global biotechnology company that discovers, develops, manufactures and markets human therapeutics. She lives in a suburb of Los Angeles.

1983

In October, **Cynthia Earehart Rinker** left *The Shenandoah Valley-Herald*, a local weekly newspaper, to become corporate content editor at Shenandoah Telecommunications in Edinburg, Va.

David Will was recognized by *Virginia Business* magazine as one of the best certified public accountants in the state for 2002. His selection by colleagues throughout the state was a result of a poll conducted by the magazine and the Virginia Society of CPAs. He was recognized for his work in the not-for-profit/government area. Will is a partner in the

public accounting firm of Mitchell, Wiggins & Company LLP. He and his wife, **Deborah Layman Will**, also '83, live near Richmond, Va., with their two sons.

1986

Reneé Dingus Leake is a physical education teacher and varsity softball coach at Osbourn High School in Manassas, Va. Last spring, the team won the District and Regional Championships and finished in the top four statewide. Leake was named District, Regional and State Coach of the Year.

Michele Carpenter Cruz of Nashville, N.C., received the Third Place Award for her oil painting, "Flight 71," at the 10th annual Icarus International Art Exhibition and Competition hosted by Nags Head's Ghost Fleet Gallery and Seaside Art Gallery. Cruz received a studio art degree from Wake Forest University and has worked in art and writing occupations in the Rocky Mount area for almost 20 years.

1987

Phillip Stone Jr. has opened a private law office in Harrisonburg, Va. He earned his law degree from Washington & Lee University School of Law, and he also is a certified public accountant. His practice focuses on the areas of wills and trusts, estate planning and administration, and small businesses and taxation. He previously was with the law firm of Wharton Aldhizer and Weaver.

1989

Greg Ecroyd and Marcie have a daughter, Ryleigh Paige, born Sept. 24. Greg is a teacher in Chesterfield County. The family lives in Richmond, Va.

SueAnna Metts Mirabelli and John have a second daughter, Tinsley Hollis, born Sept. 3.

SueAnna is a stay-at-home mom. The family lives in Chesapeake, Va.

1990

Suzy Weddle Cook and Jason have a daughter, Scottie Abigail, born March 5, 2001. Suzy earned a master of education degree from Virginia Tech in August 2001 and is employed by the Roanoke County schools. The Cooks, who live in Roanoke, Va., also have a son.

R. Matthew Foutz and Hila have one child, a daughter, Holland Carrie, born May 15, 2002. Matt is head football and track coach at Chatham High School. The family lives in Chatham, Va.



Holland Carrie Foutz

Jennie Sharon Scanlon and Tony have a daughter, Brooklyn Rayne, born Dec. 12. Jennie is a deputy sheriff in Sarpy County in Nebraska. The family lives in Omaha, Neb.

1992

Perry A. Day III and DJ have a son, Perry Allen Day IV, born Nov. 28. Perry continues to work at the Navy Federal Credit Union in Vienna, Va. The family lives in Centreville, Va.

Alfonso de la Fuente Garrigosa is working in the

diplomatic service of the European Union. For the next four years, he will be posted in East Jerusalem, where he will monitor the financial aspects of aid projects to the Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Barbara Allen Sech, a music teacher at Stuarts Draft Middle School, earned a yellow belt in karate and has entered a two-year black belt program that includes competitions and weapons training. She and her husband, Steve, live in Waynesboro, Va., with their two children.

1993

Michael B. Kirkland and Ashley Elizabeth Hanes were married Aug. 24. He is manager of information technology at Blue Ridge Networks in Chantilly, Va. The couple lives in Leesburg, Va.

Patrick K. McCloud and **Pamela Carol Damron**, '95, were married Nov. 23. Patrick is executive director of the Richmond Apartment Management Association, and Pamela is employed by Infineon Technologies. The couple lives in Hanover, Va.

Dr. Andra Showalter has completed a residency in Internal Medicine and a fellowship in rheumatology at the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond. She passed the American Board of Internal Medicine exam in the subspecialty of rheumatology and is practicing in Richmond. Andra and her husband, Dr. Raj Garg, live in Glen Allen, Va.

Scott Wilkins and Karen have a daughter, Stephanie Renea, born Sept. 28. Scott is controller of the Eastern Chicken Division of Pilgrim's Pride Corp. in Broadway, Va. The family lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

Timothy Wilson of Fredericksburg, Va., earned a master of education degree

from Mary Washington College's James Monroe Center. He teaches music at Gainesville Elementary School and was named Teacher of the Year by Stafford County.

1994

Terrill Mathew Porter and Kay Renéé André were married Sept. 29. He is senior design engineer at Rehrig International. The couple lives in Richmond, Va.

Tina R. Satmary and Larry D. Dempsey were married Aug. 11, 2001. Tina received a master of arts degree in 2000 from Marshall University Graduate College and became a licensed professional counselor in January 2003. She is a mental health counselor at Southern Highlands CMHC. The couple lives in Bland, Va.

1995

Pamela Carol Damron (see Patrick K. McCloud, '93).

Janis Young Ralston and Jay have their first son, John Richard, born Oct. 27.

1996

Andrew Davis and Janine have a daughter, Alexa Grace, born Dec. 9. The family lives in Winchester, Va.

Misti Malynn Morgan and Jarrett Alan Shifflett were married Oct. 19. She teaches in the Rockingham County public schools. The couple lives in Elkton, Va.

Laura M. Sullivan and Joseph A. Pence were married Aug. 16. She is a biology and earth science teacher at Turner Ashby High School. The couple lives in Mt. Solon, Va.

1997

Temple E. Anderson Jr. and DeLora have a son, Malik Isaiah, born Jan. 14. Temple is a sales manager for Philip Mor-

ris USA. The family lives in Frederick, Md.

Michael D. Burtner and Tamra Renee Roalf were married Sept. 21. He is a quality assurance analyst for Jenzabar in Harrisonburg, Va. The couple lives in McGaheysville, Va.

Andrew and **Whitney Jordan Dietz** have a son, Carter Grant, born Feb. 8. The Dietz's, who also have a daughter, live in Staunton, Va.

Amy Johnson Ettinger and Matthew have a daughter, Hannah Grace, born Aug. 23. Amy is a radiological planner for the Virginia Department of Emergency Management. The family lives in Midlothian, Va.

Cory M. and **Amanda Taylor Heinbaugh, '98**, have their second child, a daughter, Reilly Ashlyn, born July 2, 2002. Cory is business manager for Gold's Gym in Hagerstown, Md. The family lives in Greencastle, Pa.

Melissa Lynn Geib and David Richard Lightner were married Sept. 28. The couple lives in Lebanon, Pa.

Joel G. Pugh and Misty Lynn Anders were married Dec. 14. For the past four years, Joel has been an agent with Virginia Farm Bureau Insurance in Marion, Va., where the couple lives.

1998

Jessica Ipock Bartoshesky and Ted have a daughter, Olivia Mae, born Sept. 15. The family lives in Wilmington, Del.

Aaron Dale Good and **Stephanie Hedrick** were married June 29, 2002. Both Aaron and Stephanie teach in Rockingham County schools—Aaron at McGaheysville Elementary and Stephanie at Ottobine Elementary. The couple lives in Bridgewater.

Amanda Taylor Heinbaugh (see Cory M. Heinbaugh, '97).

1999

Chad Blais and **Holly Ann Daley, '02**, were married Aug. 3. Chad is market manager for Sherwin Williams Company in Waynesboro, Va., and Holly teaches elementary school in Rockingham County. The couple lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

Amanda Calhoun of Grottoes, Va., received a master in English degree from James Madison University in May.

Timothy R. Cash is commercial loan officer and senior relationship manager for Fifth Third Bank in East Lansing, Mich.

Andrea M. Eger and Jeffrey A. Criscione were married July 13, 2002. She is corporate communications officer for WVPT Public Television in Harrisonburg, Va. The couple lives in Stuarts Draft, Va.

Lynn Lee of New Windsor, Md., graduated from the University of Maryland School of Law in May. For the past two summers, she participated in the university's Immigration Clinic, studying international law in Rome and working with a barrister in London.

Sarah Faye Puckett and Darryl Wayne Breeden were married June 29, 2002.

2000

C. Sebastian "Tano" Gomez Abero placed third in the best oralist category during the Jessup International Moot Court regional rounds. He and his partner finished first with their written brief to advance to the international competition held in Washington, D.C.

Gehrie M. Bair and **Melanie E. Humphreys** were married June 22, 2002. He teaches



Mark G. Deavers, '93 received the Young Farmer of the Year award for 2002, presented by the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation (VFBF) at its annual convention at The Homestead in Hot Springs, Va., in December. He also competed in January, in Florida, for the American Farm Bureau Federation's National Achievement Award. He farms over 400 acres, raising hay, corn and soybeans. In 2000, he started Deavers Lime and Litter LLC, and in 2002, with his father, created The Haymakers LLC, a custom farming business. Deavers has held offices in the Broadway-Timberville Young Farmers and Rockingham County Young Farmer Association. He also is Valley District chair for the VFBF young farmer committee. ■

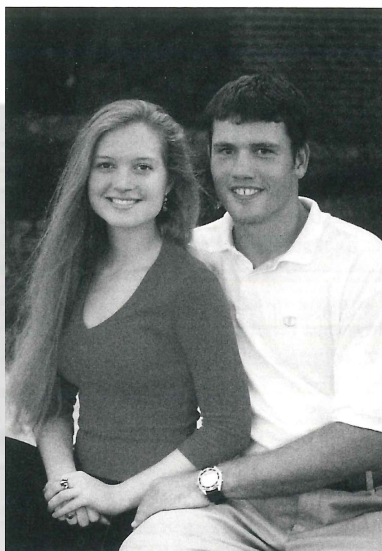
Benjamin and Alyssa Waller Kurtz, who were married on Sept. 27, left the United States on Jan. 27, to begin a Peace Corps assignment as education and urban youth development workers in Paraguay, South America.

The couple's 27-month assignment — three months spent in training and two years of service — will be completed in April 2005. While in training in Guarambare, near the capital of Asuncion, they studied the indigenous language, Guaraní, and Spanish; participated in cross-cultural and history lessons; and learned how to stay healthy and safe in an unfamiliar culture.

Ben, a 2001 graduate with a B.S. degree in health and exercise science, is working with youth and adults in organized community activities to help them build self-esteem and strengthen employment skills. Alyssa, a 2002 graduate with a B.A. degree in psychology and a minor in elementary education, is providing teacher training and support for communities in rural settings to improve the basic skills of reading, writing, math and health.

Before joining the Peace Corps, Ben worked at the Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Detention Home in Staunton, Va., and Alyssa worked with the third-grade team at Pleasant Valley Elementary School in Harrisonburg, Va.

Since being established in 1961, the Peace Corps has sent more than 165,000 volunteers to 135 countries. Today, approximately 7,000 persons are serving around the world, with 218 volunteers assigned to Paraguay. ■



The couple lives in Wahiwa, Hawaii.

Samantha Grubb (see Brian W. Simmons, '00).

Heather L. Replogle and Eric W. Barkey were married Aug. 10. She is a graduate student at Eastern Mennonite University. The couple lives in Bridgewater.

Jennifer Lynn Sluss and John Berkely McNamee were married Jan. 25. The couple lives in Richmond, Va., where Jennifer works in child development.

Amy C. Wampler and Justin A. Wouters were married July 13, 2002. She is an English teacher at West Florida High School of Advanced Technology in Pensacola, Fla., where the couple lives.

2002

Holly Ann Daley (see Chad Blais, '99).

Amber Renee Good of Harrisonburg, Va., is a special education teacher at Stuarts Draft High School.

Corey D. Hutchinson and **Stephanie D. Mitchell** were married Oct. 26. Cory teaches seventh-grade civics at J. Frank Hillyard Middle School in Broadway, Va. Stephanie is a fifth-grade teacher at Ashby Lee Elementary School in Quicksburg, Va. The couple lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

Jennifer L. Peery and Darrell R. Hicklin Jr. were married July 27, 2002. She works for US Food Service of Salem. The couple lives in Roanoke, Va.

Annie Lynn Rosenberger (see Luis De Jesus, '01). ■

sophomore biology in the Harrisonburg City schools and she is a kindergarten teacher with Rockingham County public schools. The couple lives in Bridgewater.

Amanda Kay Bolton and William Jeffrey "Jeff" Stover were married Aug. 3. She is a commercial marketing coordinator with BB&T Insurance Services Inc. in Harrisonburg, Va., where the couple lives.

Valerie E. Coffman and Christopher M. Arendall were married Jan. 25. She is a paralegal with Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge and Rice in Winston-Salem, N.C., where the couple lives.

Brian W. Simmons and **Samantha Grubb, '01**, are married and living in Roanoke, Va. He is a firefighter, and she is a legal secretary in the office of Onzlee Ware.

Kimberly "Kim" Harris Simms and David have their first child, a daughter, Madison Kate, born Nov. 25. She was born five-and-a-half weeks early, but is doing fine. The family lives in Madison Heights, Va.

2001

Miranda Myers Ball and Jason have a daughter, Addison Rae, born Jan. 17. Miranda is a high needs special education

teacher at S. Gordon Stewart Middle School in Fort Defiance, Va. The family lives in Weyers Cave, Va.



Addison Rae Ball

Luis De Jesus and **Annie Lynn Rosenberger, '02**, were married Nov. 23. He is serving in the United States Army at Schofield Barricks in Hawaii.

...memorials

Olive Early Hinegardner, '22, of Las Cruces, N.M., died Nov. 1. Among her survivors is a nephew, **Kermit Early, '47**, of Harrisonburg, Va.

Rachel Anna Driver Murphy, '30, of Bridgewater, died March 16, at the age of 93. She graduated from Garfield Hospital and was employed at Washington Hospital Center until retiring in 1980. She was a member of Barren Ridge Church of the Brethren.

Miriam Luckenbaugh Beard, '31, of Westminster, Md., died Feb. 3.

Ina Shipe Sheets, '31, of Nitro, W.Va., died Dec. 18, at the age of 92. She was retired after teaching over 28 years with the Putnam County Board of Education. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Nitro.

Elva Norman Finter, '33, of Stanley, Va., died Dec. 17, at the age of 92. She taught in the Page County school system and was a member of the Stanley Methodist Church. Her sister, **Edith Norman, '35**, of Luray, Va., died Feb. 19.

Olive Wise Forbes, '33, of Stuarts Draft, Va., died Jan. 15, at the age of 90. She was a retired English teacher, having taught 10 years at Elkton High School and 31 years at Waynesboro High School. She was a member of St. Michael United Church of Christ. She is survived by her husband, N.H. "Nat" Forbes. Also among her survivors is a sister, **Violet Wise, '36**, of Staunton, Va.

Esther Miller Foster, '33, of Bridgewater, died Jan. 24, at the age of 92. She was secretary in the neurology and psychiatry departments at the University of Virginia Medical Center in Charlottesville, Va., for 17 years. Among her survivors is a sister, **Arlene Miller Brown, '35**, of Bridgewater;

and three brothers, **Horace G. Miller, '38**, of Charlottesville; **M. Willard Miller, '40**, of Bridgewater; and **Ray B. Miller, '44**, of Ashland, Va.

The Rev. Cecil L. Hartman, '34, of Harrisonburg, Va., died Jan. 16, at the age of 90. He received a master's degree from the University of Virginia, and served as principal at Bergton and Mount Clinton schools in Rockingham County. He was office manager for Zigler Canning Company (later became National Fruit Company); for M.C. Showalter and Co., a poultry contracting company; and for C.S. Mundy Quarries. From 1962 until retiring in 1974, he taught at Broadway High School. He continued to tutor students until age 88. He was a member of Linville Creek and Harrisonburg First Church of the Brethren congregations. He was an ordained elder and did pulpit supply throughout his lifetime. Among his survivors is a son, **Dale Hartman, '68**, of Tampa, Fla., and a daughter, the **Rev. Elaine Hartman McGann, also '68**, of Hinton, Va.

Edith P. Norman, '35, of Luray, Va., died Feb. 19, at the age of 94. She retired in 1973 after teaching 38 years in the Page County school system. She attended Mount Carmel Regular Baptist Church for over 20 years. Her sister, **Elva Norman Finter, '33**, of Stanley, Va., died Dec. 17.

William Benjamin Carruthers, '36, of Birmingham, Ala., died July 22, 2002. He served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was retired after 30 years with the Aluminum Company of America.

Harry E. Duncan, '38, of Charleston, W.Va., died June 7, 2002.

Minnie Roller Wagenschein, '39, of Bridgewater, died Dec. 1, at the age of 86. She taught

IN REMEMBRANCE Ashlee Adams, '06

Ashlee Adams, a promising star for the Bridgewater Eagles softball team, was killed in a car accident on May 12 as she left campus for summer break. She was 18.

A freshman allied health science major from Winchester, Va., Adams excelled in both academics and athletics. An outfielder, she was named to the Old Dominion Athletic Conference Softball Second Team. She started in 33 games and finished the season with a .343 batting average, 19 runs batted in and only one error.

A 2002 graduate of James Wood High School in Winchester, Adams received *The Winchester Star* 2002 Softball Player of the Year award. She set the school's single-season record in batting average, hits, on-base percentage and slugging percentage. She also was a member of the basketball and volleyball teams.

She is survived by her parents, Ted and Bonnie Adams of Winchester, two sisters and a brother. ■

Kathryn Reid Bowman, '49

Kathryn Reid Bowman, a 1949 Bridgewater College graduate who taught in the College's education department, died Feb. 16 in Boonsboro, Md. She was 80.

Before moving to Bridgewater in 1966, she taught special education at the Special Education Center at North Street School in Hagerstown, Md.

She earned a master of science degree from Madison College (now James Madison University) and was the reading specialist at Bridgewater Elementary School for 20 years. She also was a part-time reading instructor at BC from 1974-1990. After retiring, she served as a volunteer with the adult literacy program for four years.

Bowman was a member of the board of directors of the Skyline Literacy Coalition. She served as past president of the Shenandoah Valley Reading Council (SVRC) and helped establish its "Books for Babies" program. In 1994, she received the Celebrate Literacy Award presented by the SVRC for promoting literacy. In 1985, she was named Teacher of the Year by the Council.

She was a member of Hagerstown Church of the Brethren and Bridgewater Church of the Brethren, where she served as co-chair of the library.

Bowman was the widow of **J. Alaric Bowman, '51**, who taught in the education and mathematics departments at Bridgewater College. Among her survivors are two sons, **Richard Bowman, '69**, and **Daniel Bowman, '73**, both of Hagerstown; and a brother, **Dr. Rowland Reid, '40**, of Colorado Springs, Colo. ■

IN REMEMBRANCE

William Henry "Bill" Groseclose

William Henry "Bill" Groseclose, a member of Bridgewater College's board of trustees since 1974, died March 15 in Harrisonburg, Va. He was 72.

Groseclose began a long and distinguished career in banking in 1963 as director of agricultural services at Rockingham National Bank (RNB) and became president of the bank in 1980. In 1984, when RNB merged with Dominion Bank of Virginia, Groseclose was named chairman and chief executive officer of Dominion Bank of the Shenandoah Valley. He was district corporate executive officer of Dominion Bank until retiring in 1992, when the bank joined with First Union. In retirement, he maintained close ties to the banking industry, serving as a consultant to the bank and as chairman of the board for both the Harrisonburg and Winchester operations of First Union.

Committed to civic endeavors and the economic development of the Shenandoah Valley, Groseclose served on the board of directors for Bridgewater HealthCare Corp. and WLR Foods. He also was head trustee of the Shenandoah Presbytery, and since 1995, had been a trustee for the Virginia Higher Education Tuition Trust Fund. He was past president of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Chamber of Commerce and the Dayton and Cross Keys Ruritan clubs.

In 1965, Groseclose was selected by the Jaycees as Outstanding Young Man of the Year and was named Businessman of the Year in 1997 by the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Chamber of Commerce. In 1993, he was honored with Bridgewater College's Outstanding Achievement Award.

Groseclose was a member of Massanutten Presbyterian Church, where he served as a deacon and an elder.

He received a bachelor of science degree from Virginia Tech, where he did post-graduate work, and also studied at the University of Kentucky. He served in the United States Army from 1953-55.

Groseclose is survived by his wife of almost 50 years, the former Lila "Dodie" McCall. Also among his survivors is a son, **Mark M. Groseclose, '80**, of Roanoke, Va. ■

Lester "Les" Hershey Sr.

Lester "Les" Hershey Sr., a life trustee of Bridgewater College, died May 9 in Staunton, Va. He was 80.

In 1961, he founded Hershey Tire Co. in Staunton, and was chief executive officer. Previously, he had managed the tire department at Montgomery Ward and was treasurer of Valley Tire Co. (continued on page 39)

school in Rockingham and Chesterfield counties and Richmond (Va.) City Schools. She was a member of the Bridgewater Church of the Brethren and was active in the Women's Circle of the Brethren Church. She is survived by her husband, **Norman Wagenschein, '49**. Also among her survivors is a sister, **Barbara Roller Smith, '40**, of North Manchester, Ind.

Graham W. Hicklin, '41, of Waynesboro, Va., died Feb. 6, at the age of 85. He was drafted while attending Bridgewater College and served with the 12th Army Air Corps for four years in the European Theater during World War II. He was a retired mail carrier for the U.S. Postal Service and a member of Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church. He is survived by his wife, the former Phyllis Gaines.

Wanda Arnold Houff, '44, died April 8, at the Bridgewater Home. She was 80. A retired teacher, she and her husband, the late **Rev. Robert Earle "Bob" Houff, '45**, had lived in Virginia, Pennsylvania and West Virginia, where he had pastored Church of the Brethren congregations. She served as church pianist and taught Sunday school. She and her husband designed and built an eight-room retirement home in West Virginia. Among her survivors are two sons, **Robert A. Houff, '70**, of Elizabethtown, Pa., and **Terry Houff**, chief information officer and director of the C.E. Shull Information Technology Center at Bridgewater College, and his wife, **Lisa**, who works on campus as a faculty secretary in Flory Hall; a granddaughter, **Rebekah Houff**, a rising sophomore at Bridgewater College from Elizabethtown; and a brother, **Arlyn Arnold, '53**, and his wife, **Mary Helen Click Arnold, '52**, of Petersburg, W.Va.

Maxine Shull, '45, of Bridgewater, died March 19, at the age of 78. She was a member of St. Michael's United Church of Christ. Among her survivors are two brothers, **Dr. S. Cabell Shull, '41**, of Oxford, Miss., and **Dr. Dwight Shull, '42**, of Bridgewater; and a sister, **Martha Shull Peake, '52**, of Wise, Va.

Geneva Kohne Strawderman, '46, of Winchester, Va., died Nov. 22, at the age of 79. Before retiring, she taught second grade at the Bryarly School in Frederick County. She was a member of Greenwood United Methodist Church. Among her survivors is a son, **Steve C. Strawderman, '70**, of Marietta, Ga.

Carl Cupp Mason, '49, of Bridgewater, died Dec. 4, at the age of 87. He served four years in the U.S. Army during World War II and spent two years in the South Pacific and the Philippines before being discharged in 1946 with the rank of First Sergeant. Employed by the Bridgewater Post Office from 1948 until retiring in 1979, he became postmaster in 1954. He served on the Town of Bridgewater and Rockingham County planning commissions and was a member of Mossy Creek Presbyterian Church. He is survived by his wife, Patience. Also among his survivors is a sister, **Norma Mason Fix, '50**, of Fairfield, Va.

Earl L. Atkinson Jr., '51, of Hastings, Mich., died Oct. 5.

Isaac "Zeke" Allen Gray, '58, of Manassas, Va., died Feb. 8, at the age of 66. He served in the U.S. Army Shape Headquarters in Paris from 1958-60. He worked as a political cartoonist for 20 years and was employed by the Postal and Inspection Service for 23 years. He was well known for his watercolor landscapes. He is survived by his wife, the former Dr. Sandra Joy Kellogg. Also among his survivors is a daughter.

ter, **Heather Gray Frost, '91**, of Harrisonburg, Va.

Jack R. Hinegardner, '60, of Auburndale, Fla., died Nov. 14, of cancer. He was 64. He was director of education and training with State Farm Insurance for 31 years. A member of First United Methodist Church, he served in the National Guard and on the American Red Cross board. He is survived by his wife, the former **Barbara Hartman**, also '60. Also among his survivors is a sister, **Barbara Hinegardner Hite, '65**, of Bridgewater.

David Leland Olsen, '60, of Roanoke, Va., died Jan. 14, from complications of Wegener's Granulomatosis, a rare autoimmune disease that damages the vital organs in the body. He served in the U. S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He earned an M.A. degree in zoology at Southern Illinois University. While employed by the Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Services, he worked in Minnesota, South Dakota, Hawaii and Washington, D.C. In 1989, he was named the deputy director of the Department of Interior and received both Silver and Gold awards for distinguished service. He retired in 1994, after 32 years of service. He was active in the First Baptist Church and volunteered at Friendship Manor. He is survived by his wife, Annie Laurie. Also among his survivors is a brother, **Alan G. Olsen, '59**, of Soquel, Calif.

Paul W. "Satch" Moss Jr., '63, of Grottoes, Va., died Jan. 21, at the age of 66. From 1968-74, he was head football coach and athletic director at Matoaca High School. He also was head coach at Thomas Dale and Dinwiddie high schools and Fishburne Military Academy in Waynesboro, Va. He was a member of the Grottoes Board of Zoning Appeals. He is survived by his wife, the former **Gladys Pfister, '58**. Also among his survivors is a

daughter, **Vickie Moss Denlinger, '88**, of Weyers Cave, Va.; and a son, **Donald Moss '92**, of Burlington, Ky.

Bonnie Barnett Revene, '73, of Richmond, Va., died March 16, at the age of 51. She had taught for 30 years in Henrico County, most recently teaching fourth grade at Nuckols Farm Elementary School. In 2001, she was selected as the school's Teacher of the Year. Her parents were the late William E. Barnett, long-time sociology professor at the College, and Peggy Barnett of Bridgewater. She is survived by her husband, John. Also among her survivors is a brother, **Rush Barnett, '77**, of Ellicott City, Md., and a sister, **Joy Barnett Stacy, '75**, of Vienna, Va.

Dr. Christopher M. Hassett, '74, of State College, Pa., died Jan. 22, of heart failure. He was 50. He received a master's degree from San Diego State University and a master's and doctorate from the University of California at Los Angeles. For many years, he was engaged in genetic research at the University of Washington in Seattle. In 2002, he became senior research associate in the laboratory at Pennsylvania State University.

CORRECTION

Dr. John B. May, '31, of Salisbury, Md., who died Oct. 29, 2002, was chair of the Department of Psychology at what is now Salisbury University (originally the Maryland State Teachers College at Salisbury). The obituary listing in the winter 2003 issue of *Bridgewater Magazine* incorrectly reported that he had been chair of the school's philosophy department. Our apologies for the error. ■

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Hershey was an active member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church, where he served as president of the Virginia Conference United Methodist Men and as district delegate to United Methodist Annual Conference. He was a member of the Virginia United Methodist Pension Board and also served on the corporate board of United Methodist Homes.

In addition, Hershey was active in the community, serving on the Salvation Army's board of directors and the Valley Mission board. He also was a member and officer of the Staunton Lions Club.

Hershey joined Bridgewater College's board of trustees in 1970 and served on the committee on development and public relations. He also was a member of the parents advisory committee from 1966-70, serving as its chair from 1969-70.

His three children survive, including Bridgewater alumni, **Becky Hershey Woolfrey, '70**, of Verona, Va., and a son, **Lester B. "Burk" Hershey Jr., '74**, of Waynesboro, Va. ■

Claude Taylor Stone

Claude Taylor Stone, husband of Bridgewater College life trustee Barbara Carter Stone, died Feb. 18, at the age of 83.

In 1941, he joined the U.S. Army and served as a master sergeant in the European Theatre until World War II ended in 1946.

Following the war, he worked for Bassett Furniture Industries as vice president of the J.D. Bassett Manufacturing Co., a position he held until retiring in 1985. Stone also was a founder and partner of Reed's Variety Store in Bassett, Va., and Stuart, Va.

A volunteer and leader in the community, Stone was president of the Bassett Volunteer Fire Department, the American Red Cross, the Bassett Public Library, the W.M. Bassett Community Center and the Bassett Rotary Club. He also served as finance committee chair of the local Boy Scouts; was treasurer and chair of the building committee for the Bassett Church of the Brethren; and served many years on the Henry County Electoral Board.

The Carter Center for Worship and Music at Bridgewater College honors the memory of Barbara's parents, the late Leonard and Gladys Stone Carter. The Stone Prayer Chapel in the Center is named for her maternal grandparents, the late Reed L. and Nancy Bassett Stone.

In addition to his wife, Stone is survived by a brother-in-law, **the Rev. Clyde Carter Jr., '56**, of Daleville, Va. ■

Remembering the True Gentleman

Karen Doss Bowman

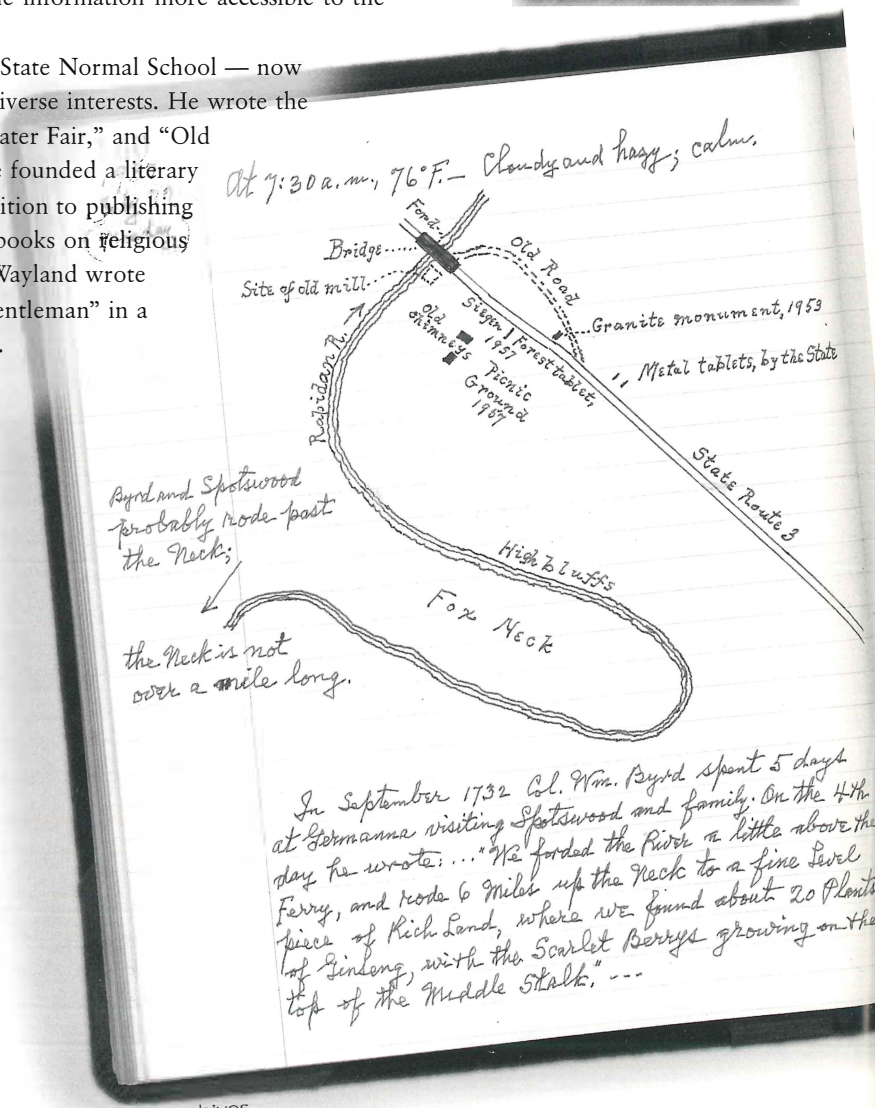
More than 40 years after his death, Dr. John W. Wayland, an 1899 graduate of Bridgewater College, is still one of the Shenandoah Valley's preeminent historians. On January 1, 1901, Wayland began keeping "Everyday Books" — part journal, part scrapbook — to record local history and current events. Before his death in 1962, he had filled 37 bound books, about 250 to 300 pages each, and bequeathed them to the College's Alexander Mack Memorial Library.

Over the years, the books — containing historical facts, sketches, maps and various memorabilia — have drawn researchers to the archive vault located in the library's basement, says library director Ruth Greenawalt. The College also owns some of Wayland's book manuscripts, photographs and correspondences. The collection was particularly helpful to Wayland's son, Francis Fry Wayland, in writing *Bridgewater College: The First Hundred Years*.

Though Wayland's handwriting was legible, and the books are easy to understand, the library has begun the long-term task of transcribing and indexing the journals in a digital format. Thanks to a generous donation from Margaret Kyger Miller, a cousin of Dr. Ellsworth Kyger, the project will make the information more accessible to the public and protect the delicate originals.

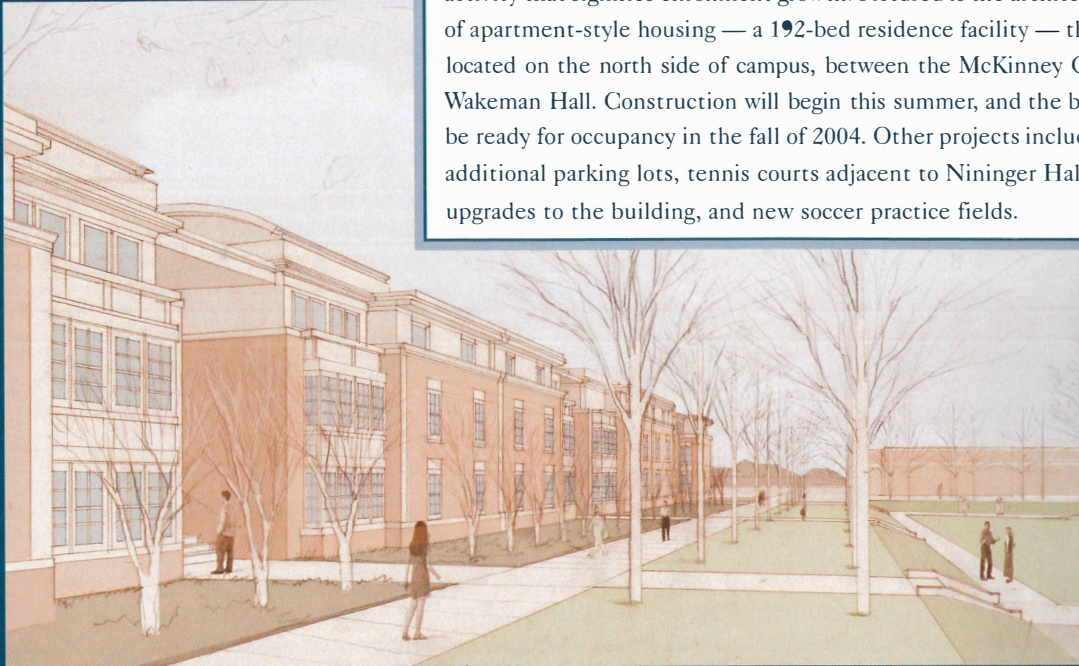
A former professor at the Harrisonburg State Normal School — now James Madison University — Wayland had diverse interests. He wrote the lyrics to the College's Alma Mater, "Bridgewater Fair," and "Old Virginia." While a student at Bridgewater, he founded a literary magazine, the *Philomathean Monthly*. In addition to publishing books about history, Wayland wrote several books on religious topics and *Ethics and Citizenship*. In 1909, Wayland wrote the prize-winning definition of "The True Gentleman" in a competition sponsored by the *Baltimore Sun*.

Hoping to inspire future generations of historians, Wayland published an article in Harrisonburg's *Daily News-Record* in 1956, encouraging schoolchildren to keep historical journals. "Some of the best sources for local history ... are to be found in old diaries and scrapbooks," he wrote. "... The writer may be tempted to make general or indefinite statements which are clear to him, but he should make statements that will be understood by anyone who reads his record 50 or 100 years later." ■



CAMPUS EXPANSION PROJECTS

As the summer begins, the Bridgewater campus is abuzz with construction activity that signifies enrollment growth. Pictured is the architect's drawing of apartment-style housing — a 192-bed residence facility — that will be located on the north side of campus, between the McKinney Center and Wakeman Hall. Construction will begin this summer, and the building will be ready for occupancy in the fall of 2004. Other projects include additional parking lots, tennis courts adjacent to Nininger Hall and upgrades to the building, and new soccer practice fields.



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